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A daily newspaper will be one of the several unique features of the 62nd annual convention of the American Philatelic Society and a Western Philatelic Congress to be held in Denver, Colo., Sept. 6 to 10, 1948.

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One of the feature attractions of the show will be the appearance of Harry L. Weiss, editor of Weekly Philatelic Gossip, who will present his ever popular and interesting "Exposing The Stamp Racket." Mr. Weiss will appear on Monday evening of April 12.

While only a general outline of the show is ready at the present moment, anyone interested in obtaining further details can do so by writing to the president of the club, Herbert F. Mayer, 220½ W. Third St., Grand Island, Nebr.

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Open House Number Of America's Greatest Philatelic Newspaper Your Opportunity To Get Acquainted

by Carl P. Rueth

Not so long ago George Linn said to me, "It will be you, and only you who will tell our readers in the four corners of the world what the h---, oops, I mean what the dickens goes on around here. You will brush lightly past any skeletons in our closet, and seek only the pure white light of our happy little enterprise. You, who have entered our select little circle only this year, will be the one with the fresh viewpoint."

Well, at least he said something like that. So put on your dark glasses, because here comes the clear white light sans any skeletons from the family closet.

For those who might have come in late, since April 1, 1947 that is, and those who might have poor memories, just a few words about the organization might not be out of place. April 1 was the date when the present firm was born, and at that time the legal name of the enterprise became the George W. Linn Co., Inc. In the nineteen years previous to then, Linn's Weekly Stamp News was solely the fine work of George Linn. It was his splendid and untiring work that built this publication into America's greatest philatelic newspaper—a publication that is recognized everywhere as the outspoken champion for a clean hobby.

The corporation when formed continued the business as set up by Mr. Linn. He remains the majority stockholder, and is the president of the firm. Yours truly is the vice-president, while Mrs. Hazel Morgan, Mr. Linn's daughter is the secretary of the corporation.

So there, let us now leave the sordid details of business far behind us, and let us plunge into the realm of fresh viewpoints.

Perhaps one of the first things that struck me on my joining the firm was the fact that here was something that had been built through honest effort and a lot of hard work. It was something that was basically sound and full of merit, and something that was demanded and appreciated by the stamp collecting public. One needs only to consider that regardless of what the product of an enterprise is, whether it is automobiles, hamburgers or one of a thousand other things, that that product, or service will not remain in the public's favor unless it is what the public wants. And certainly, the public wants the best of everything that it can get.

Linn's Weekly Stamp News is

now in its twentieth year of publication. It did not attain this grand old age through fickle fortune, for over those years many similar philatelic magazines and newspapers have risen, and after a short time descended to oblivion. There is a reason for all things, and the reason that Linn's is the leader in its field is obvious enough.

Know why? Sure you do, it's on account of George, George Linn.

No other man's hand, nor thoughts made this paper what it is today!

Some tales have come to the fore now and again which state that George's first toy, selected by himself, personally, at the age of ten days, was a stamp tong.

Other tales have it that he obtained much of his nourishment for many years from the glucose mucilage that one finds on stamp hinges. Believe what you want of them, but the fact remains, that even at an early age he had those little perforated (and some imperforated) pieces of paper for carrying the mail racing around in his mind. Today, those early little visions of stamps that raced merrily through his mind's eye have a lot of company, for in the passing years he has experienced nearly all that the hobby has to offer.

Fundamentally, he is a collector, and one that is so passionately fond of his hobby that he will rise immediately in wrath against any that attempt to use it for racketeering, or other unsavory purposes. The dealers and the collectors both know this and appreciate it, and many are the letters that arrive at this office in appreciation of his efforts to keep the hobby on an impeccable level.

It will surprise many of you to know that George is not the fire shooting and spark flying "hell-

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Here is a reproduction of the first page of the initial issue of Linn's Weekly Stamp News that was first presented to the public on November 5, 1928. Readers can easily enough determine that the subscription price for the year was 25c, while the price for a single copy was 2c, by reading these rates under the "head" of the paper. The paper was published at Columbus, Ohio, which remained its home for many years; it is now written and published in Sidney, Ohio. When first issued, and for many years thereafter, LINN'S was published in the magazine style. Now, it is printed in the tabloid style on a modern rotary newspaper press. Out of all the advertisers who appeared in the first issue, there has been only one who has been with the paper on contract, continuously, all these years and that is M. Ohlman, who now operates as the Ohlman Galleries. Ohlman Galleries are still holding auctions of stamps and philatelic material, and at the same address at which they were located back in 1928, this is 116 Nassau St., in New York, City.

Errors In Stamps
Of Siam, Common

Perforation errors in Siamese stamps are getting rather common according to material received in the last few months from Bangkok by H. Morgan Ryther of Belchertown, Mass. He offers information as follows.

Scott 255, the 1 baht of King Ananda Mahidol, has been received with no horizontal perforations between the two top rows. This was found in both varieties of the stamp.

Scott 258, the 2 satang brown orange of the Bangkaen Monument, was found with no vertical perforations between the two right hand rows, and also in pairs with no horizontal perforations between the stamps, location not known.

Scott 259, the 10 satang pink, found with no vertical perforations between the two top rows, as reported recently by Mr. Glass.

Both the 2 satang and 10 satang have been received in used blocks from the two right hand rows with no perforation between the stamp and the wide margin tab. Scott C18, the 10 satang carmine airmail stamp of the 1943 issue has been received in pairs with no horizontal perforations between.

Also, in an earlier issue of 1939, the 2 satang brown of the Legislative Palace has been received

in a used pair, with no vertical perforations between.

Possibly readers may be interested in the dates of issue of the two latest emissions from Siam. The first showing of King Bhumipol, 2 values, was issued on Nov. 15, 1947, while the set of 4 values, 5, 10, 20, and 50 st., "commemorating the auspicious celebration of H. H. King Bhumipol's 21 years of age," was issued on December 5, 1947.

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Atlantic City Stamp Club Names Officers

At the December Meeting of the Atlantic City Stamp Club, A. P. S. Chapter No. 105, election of officers for 1948 was held. Elected were Charles J. Buckstein, President; J. Brinton Young, Vice-President; George T. Mauk, Secretary; Jacques Kilcher, Treasurer. The new Board of Governors is composed of Bela V. Scholtz, Sr., Chairman; Walter E. Crawford, Herbert J. Elliott, Bela V. Scholtz, Jr., and Albert Whittaker.

In addition, the Club presented its annual Past President's Night program.

Mr. J. Brinton Young, the new vice-president, exhibited complete sheets of the famous 5c red error to the assembled stamp enthusiasts.

The Atlantic City Stamp Club meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month in its club room in the world famous Traymore Hotel on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City.

A cordial invitation is extended to all local and visiting collectors to attend its semi-monthly meetings.

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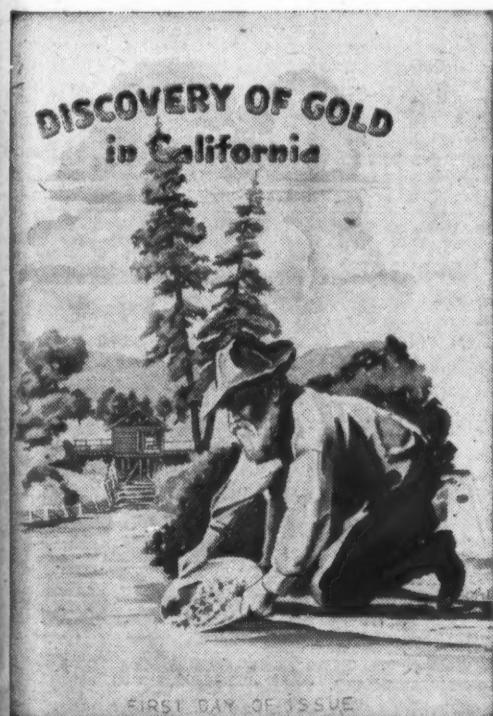
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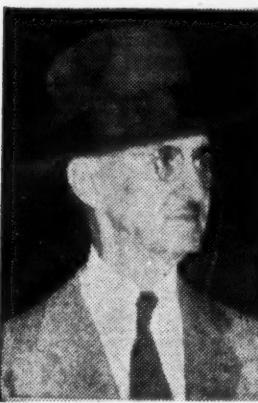
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The First Thousand Weeks Are The Hardest

We ought to know for we have just completed that first thousand weeks as was evidenced by the number "1000" in the date line of our issue last week. It would be interesting to know of those who are readers of this paper today, just



GEO. LINN

copy is now appearing over the name of the Ohlman Galleries where he continues to feature his regular stamp auctions.

It is interesting to note that when we printed our first paper dated November 5th 1928, that Mr. Ohlman was announcing his 137th auction sale. We note by our columns today that his 299th auction is announced for January 27 and 28. Surely this is a record that Mr. Ohlman can also feel proud of.

Throughout this issue you will find considerable about our earlier years. I have purposely let Mr. Rueth prepare this copy as I would prefer that you see the past through the eyes of one who like yourself has not been an active participant in the production of the paper. It will be interesting reading for me also to see what others have to say of the paper over its past 1000 weeks.

I well remember when at the Midwestern Philatelic Exhibition in Cleveland Ohio, in May of 1928, I passed around some four page prospectus of the proposed new paper. The date for publication was announced as for the first Saturday in November of the same year and the support given was splendid at the start.

Publishing a weekly stamp paper however was a big job, it cost money and to succeed one had to get the paper into a position where it would pay for its cost of production.

I confess that this was a tough job but one that was possible to accomplish after a few years work. Twenty years ago I was in the prime of life, I was eager and able to work long hours and long hours were the rule rather than the exception.

Publishing a newspaper such as this is a different kind of a job than most other jobs. With a paper issued weekly we have to meet deadlines every day and every week and every month. There is no such thing as taking a few days off, putting off till next week something we should do today. It is a continual grind day in and day out for the paper must go through just as "the show must go on."

Newspaper work is fascinating work to one who can get it in his blood. I was born and raised in the atmosphere of a weekly newspaper and have had it in my blood since my earliest recollections.

It has been interesting work, work that I have loved and enjoyed and I would not have wanted to do otherwise.

I am no longer able to put in the hours that I formerly gave to the work, but am thankful that I have been able to gather about me a crew of people who are well able to continue and to carry on even though I sometimes must shirk my duties.

For my part I shall stay at the helm just so long as my health will permit and I see no reason why that will not be for some time yet.

In the past, Mrs. Linn and myself attended many philatelic events together. We enjoyed these meets and always made many friends and returned home with pleasant recollections.

For the past three or four years, Mrs. Linn has been in extremely poor health, a great burden for myself and has made it necessary that I forego many trips I should like to make as going alone has never been so pleasant and I hesi-

tate to be away too much due to her continued poor health. Since coming to Sidney our growth has been steady year after year and it is interesting to look at a copy of our first paper which contained exactly 204 column inches of reading and advertising matter and compare it with the papers of the past few months which have frequently contained eight to ten times as much copy.

The year just completed has been our biggest year and we anticipate that this year of 1948 will be another great year.

Stamp publications are in a class by themselves, yet they are "class publications." Class publications in most other lines which have a circulation of 25,000 to 30,000 copies weekly are usually so far out in front of stamp publications in every way that readers of stamp publications must wonder why. The answer is a simple one. Stamp publications get about the lowest advertising rate of any publication there is. Other class publications get rates that are three to five times as high as stamp papers and there is the answer why stamp papers are not as a class, equal to other class publications.

The recent failure of a paper that was beautifully printed and illustrated shows you what we mean. In other class publications the advertising rate for a full page in a paper of that type would have been \$300 to \$500 per page. With such money it would have been possible to produce, but the death of the publication was a foregone conclusion in our mind after seeing a few numbers. Stamp dealing, stamp collecting and stamp paper publishing is still about as close to being an amateur activity as anything we can think of and only when it graduates into a real business with a business men's organization behind it, will the hobby take on the dignity of business.

Perhaps it is best the way it is for as it is anyone can play at it and after all, it is a hobby and if we keep it a hobby, perhaps that might be the best way to keep it.

Yes, the first thousand weeks are the hardest. We would love to be here at the end of the next thousand weeks, but are not yet making any plans for the celebration of that event. We do hope that Linn's Weekly will be here at that time and that it will be in the hands of one who will, as we have done fight for a clean hobby, and try to give stamp collectors a publication that they can find interesting week after week.

Stamp Club Organized Over Sixty Years Ago

One of the most active and one of the oldest local stamp clubs in the United States is the Bridgeport Philatelic Club of Bridgeport, Conn. This organization of stamp collectors came into being on December 5, 1888. In the year of 1948, the club is planning a fitting celebration for its 60th anniversary, which will get under way with the holding of a banquet and other events within the very near future.

Recently, the club elected a slate of new officers for the year of 1948. Guiding the club for the 18th successive year will be Fred J. Wieler as president. E. W. Mansfield is the vice-president, D. F. Bogen the treasurer, and Joseph Schneider the secretary. On election night, the members were treated to a most interesting talk on the stamps of France by Charles Ober, one of their fellow members, who enhanced his talk with the use of colored slides.

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British Collectors Form Sarawak Specialist Club

A group of British collectors have formed what is known as the Sarawak Specialists Club, a non-profit organization, that wishes to contact American collectors of stamps, covers, and/or cancellations of this new Crown Colony in Borneo, of which so much interest has been aroused of late. The Club publishes a quarterly multipage "News Sheet" which includes several articles by Sarawak specialists and informative letters from members in Sarawak itself, etc. Subscription is half-a-guinea (\$2.10) per annum. Interested parties are asked to contact D. C. D. Castle, 9, Midfield Way, St. Pauls Cray, Kent, England.

The money obtained from the subscriptions is used to publish the club's "News Sheet." Inasmuch as the bulletin carries no advertising, this is the only manner in which it can be financed. A member of the club who resides in the United States is G. J. Raymond, 905 Curtis Ave., Columbia, Mo.

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To finish out Mr. Schmidt's dream album pages, he has secured a durable rag content stock, and following his artists recommendation lithographed these designs in two beautiful pastel colors. These new album pages are another product of Artmaster. Fifteen pages comprise a set for the stamps issued during 1947. Work has already begun on the series for 1948.

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BRITISH EMPIRE CHATTER

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(Ed. Note: We regret that Mr. Friedman modestly claimed that our readers were not interested in his picture, or in a short biography of him. We know that they are interested, for they have said so on many occasions. Perhaps we can fill in a few facts such as:—He is regarded as being one of the leading British Empire collectors in this country; right along with this, he is held in high esteem for his knowledge of these stamps; he has a host of friends, all attracted to him for his kindness, thoughtfulness and the extension of his ever ready helping hand. Mr. Friedman is the guiding light of the firm of D. Friedman, dealers specialists in British Empire issues. So there, Mr. Friedman, you have been partly exposed!)

FORGERIES

As the prices of rare stamps increase, so also increases the incentive to forgery and the philatelic press frequently reports on various new forgery discoveries. Many books have been written on this subject and Scott's catalogue warns of the dangerous forgeries that exist. For the average collector it is difficult if not impossible to detect most of these cleverly forged stamps or surcharges.

It is of course, cancellations and surcharges that attract most of the forgers, especially rare and high priced inverted surcharges.

The writer collects British Empire only and has built up over a period of years, a highly specialized collection of Seychelles which has been referred to as the finest collection of this colony in existence. Exhibited at the Centenary show, it received one of the plates which were awarded, in spite of keen competition.

In a collection of this kind, the errors are required for completeness and notwithstanding expert opinion, I frequently questioned the genuineness of some of the rarities submitted to me. And when it comes to paying from \$50 up for a single stamp—well—you like to be reasonably certain that you have a genuine copy.



I finally worked out a plan which to the best of my knowledge has not heretofore been explained or written up, although I have explained and demonstrated same at the Collector's Club and elsewhere when exhibiting and discussing this collection. Furthermore the

plan is very simple and I have been able by this idea of mine to detect forgeries of Seychelles. This simple plan is to take a regular stamp with a low catalogue value and cut the stamp through the surcharge. As an example, Seychelles No. 29 has a catalogue value of 50c, and the inverted surcharge \$50.00. By cutting a copy of the regular 50c catalogue stamp through the center of the surcharge, I am able to place 1/2 of the surcharge over the inverted surcharge and if genuine, there is not a fraction of a millimeter variation. Forgers may use identical type, carefully measure spacing and produce a clever forgery, but if under my test, the cut portion of the normal stamp does not exactly fit when placed over the stamp being examined—it is my opinion that the same is a forgery. I have rejected stamps of Seychelles that were afterwards declared forgeries by experts who discovered other variations.

I have been advised that Linn's would like to introduce me to their readers by means of a good photograph and a short biography—but soon forgotten. I do not have a good recent photograph and my mirror tells me that even if I had the time, a good? photograph is a real problem?

I much prefer to be known by my efforts as the British Empire Chatterer. I doubt whether my photograph or biography would produce a single second thought in the minds of any reader—but—I certainly do appreciate the many kind expressions of approval of my chatters. Here is one just received. "I enjoy your British Chatter column in Linn's very much. My humble opinion is that it is well written, interesting and informative." (Note. Original letter submitted to Linn's for verification.)

STRAITS. In the November 24th chatter, reference was made to the new issues of Singapore, Penang and Malacca.

In employing the headings "Singapore" and "Malacca" it appears that the Crown Agents are considering the existing political constitution of Malaya as a Union, with Singapore detached from it and forming a separate unit with the status of a Crown Colony.

The new stamps announced, clearly forecast a new federation of all the Malayan territories, including Singapore, under the general title of Malaya, with local autonomy (including the issue of postage stamps) reserved to each constituent unit. Not only will each of the native States have, as before, its own issue of stamps, but each of the principal settlements, formerly part of the Straits Settlements and using the same series of stamps, will have, it appears, its own special stamps. These new stamps for Singapore, Penang and Malacca must be considered as issues that will be followed by new stamps for Negri Sembilan, Pahang, Perak, Selangor, Johore, Kedah, Kelantan and Trengganu.

HONG KONG. Last April, the Crown Agents announced two new stamps for Hong Kong, a 20 cent red and a 80 cent brown, the 20 cents representing a change of color and the 80 cents a new value. These two stamps have never appeared but now, among the new printings announced as on order, are included a 20 cents (color not stated) and an 80 cents, which is certainly not a known cur-

rent denomination. If the 20 cents, is actually the red one, it is odd that these two items should be on order for reprinting when, as far as is known, there has been no release of the original printing.

LEEWARD ISLANDS. The two shilling value of the current George VI has appeared in a decidedly different shade, being a deep purple and blue on blue paper.

BLACK MARKET POUNDS???

For some time a large stock of mint British Colonials estimated to be valued at \$35,000 has been on the market and is supposed to have been bought with so called black market pounds. The entire lot has recently been sold in New York to several large dealers.

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The show was on a non-competitive basis, but even so there were many outstanding exhibits in United States, Foreign, Topical and Special categories. At a general meeting on Saturday night, the club elected and installed the new officers for the coming year. When the balloting was over it was found that George D. Houchin was the new president, M. E. Graff, the vice-president, and Howard E. Simpson, the secretary-treasurer.

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B154	Liberation.....	.30
B155	BRNO exp.....	.25
P26	Bratislava EXH.....	.25
GERMANY, LOCAL POST, 1945/6 SHEETS		
Leipzig '46 Fair.....	3.75	
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Bridges, 4v. in sh.....	6.00	
B294-5 Berlin EXH.....	2.25	
Hungary B94 Eucharistic Cong.....	.60	
B97 St. Stephen.....	1.00	
B112 Flood Victims.....	.20	
B113 Flood Victims with cancel.....	.20	
B120 Horseman.....	.20	
B126 Horsemen with cancel.....	.20	
B130 Artists.....	.40	
Japan Blue, inc. "22.11".....	.10	
Orange, inc. "22.8".....	.10	
RR, inc. "22.10.14".....	.15	
Constitution.....	.20	
Luxembourg B85 Dudelange Exp.....	.60	
Netherlands B146-7 Legion.....	1.90	
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N100-3 sheets of 25.....	12.00	
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600-4 Muslim sheets.....	9.00	
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C17 Dancers.....	.90	
Mai 1st All sheets.....	.60	
Technical progress.....	.80	
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Swiss 242 Nat. Phil. EXH.....	1.25	
297 Centenary.....	1.75	
B90 Pro Patria '36.....	1.75	
B89 Children.....	.50	
B116 1941 sheet.....	1.90	
B119 1942 Nat. Pete.....	1.90	
B130 Zurich sheet.....	3.10	
B131 Centenary.....	2.00	
B132 Geneva sheet.....	1.80	
B144 Bale sheet.....	1.90	
Turkey 833 Census Data.....	1.65	

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Part of the bank of seven Linotype machines on which the type for the reading matter and the ads of Linn's Weekly Stamp News is set is shown above. The operators, starting with the man nearest the camera are Oliver Dill, Fred Bensman, Mary Risk and Dallas Felver. For those unacquainted with these machines, it might be interesting for them to know that they have a keyboard similar to a typewriter, but instead of printing letters on paper such as is done on a typewriter, this machine casts the letters in metal in predetermined lengths of lines. Only a slight fraction of all the copy is set by hand as in the olden days, since these machines have interchangeable magazines in each of which is a different size of type. The magazines can be added to, or removed from the machine at will.

Spain Issues Postal Tax Stamps For The Fight Against TB



Shown is the 25 Pts. tax stamp for the benefit of the Tuberculosis Association of Spain. These stamps are compulsory on all mail in Spain and the Spanish Colonies between the dates of December 22 and January 3 inclusive. On each of the three stamps, the Cross of Lorraine, insignia of the Tuberculosis Association is printed in red, while other colors are used for the balance of the designs.

Of the 5 Pts., there were 2,000,000 stamps printed in red and brown. On this stamp the cross occupies the center of the stamp, and is bordered by a frame of elaborate design. It must be affixed to all postcards mailed during the above period. The 10 Pts. value must be added to all domestic letter mail, and has the largest amount of all the stamps printed; this figure is 15,000,000. Color of the stamp is a red violet and red. The scene on the stamp is of a wing of the TB hospital.

The highest value of the three stamps is for use with airmail. Only 1,000,000 of these were printed. The color of the stamp is purple and red and gives a view of the TB hospital. A special cancellation die was prepared for use in the Madrid Post Office in connection with the first day of issue of the stamps.

Information about the stamps was received from Carlos Lenze, Apartado 716, Barquillo 29, Madrid, Spain, and from M. Galvez of Madrid, who sent a first day cover with the stamps cancelled in red with the special postmark.

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Canadian Collectors Offer A Design For An Identification Badge

One of the items that was brought before the assembled guests at the Ford Employees Stamp Club of Canada meeting and which bobs up at infrequent intervals is the matter of a badge, button, or other insignia for the identification of stamp collectors. A tentative design was presented to the group, which had its annual dinner at the Elmwood Hotel in Windsor, Ontario, Canada on November 21.

While nearly every one of the many local and national clubs have designs that they have chosen to identify themselves, not one design has ever been chosen to be of universal use in this respect for collectors in all countries of the world. The F.E.S.C. of Canada has originated a design that is quite simple and attractive and one that would be instantly recognizable to collectors anywhere. They plan to do a lot of work to popularize the adoption of a design for an insignia of recognition among collectors; many clubs and individuals will be asked to support this movement.

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Florida Stamp Club Announces Exhibition

The Miami Florida Stamp club, an APS chapter, will hold a philatelic exhibit, and, bourse, on Wednesday, February 4th, 1948, in celebration of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the stamp club. The event will be held during the winter season in Miami and all visiting stamp collectors should plan to attend this interesting event. There will be over 200 frames of stamps, covers, and other philatelic material on exhibit.

The Miami stamp club meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday from November through April, and, on the 3rd Thursday of the month from March through October. All local and visiting stamp collectors are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

Officers of the Miami Stamp club are F. Wadham, President, Wm. von Tonglen First-Vice-President, F. Hieber, Second Vice-President, and Robert Knobel, Secretary-Treasurer.

For information regarding the exhibit, write the secretary at 3240-N. W. 27th Ave., Miami, Florida, 37.

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**Columbus Collectors
Plan Exhibition And
Bourse In February**

The last two days of the month of February will find an Exhibition and Bourse being held in the Virginia Hotel in Columbus, Ohio. This event will be on a Saturday and Sunday, February 28 and 29 and is under the sponsorship of the Columbus Philatelic Club of that city. Arrangements have been completed to accomodate a maximum of 20 dealers at Bourse tables, while a few more than 100 frames will be placed on exhibition by the local collectors, and members of clubs in Dayton, Springfield, Zanesville and Marion. The exhibition hall will open at 10 a.m. on the first day and remain open until 6 p.m. Sunday evening.

A more than ordinary emphasis will be placed on the showing of Topical collections with this year's show. It is the purpose of the club to illustrate to the philatelic and the non-philatelic public, the attractiveness of building a collection on these principles. As usual, many of the classical issues will be shown, for in the albums of the Columbus collectors repose many of those hard to get and beautiful items of the last century.

A program that includes a buffet lunch for the members and their wives will commence at 10 p.m. Saturday night. This is to take place in the Junior Rose Room of the hotel. Following the lunch, those in attendance will be addressed by a speaker of prominence, who will be followed by other entertainment. At 2 p.m. Sunday, the club will hold the auction usually held in conjunction with the exhibition. The lots to be

sold are of a better than ordinary variety, and comprise material that is of interest to all.

The club feels fortunate in having a branch of the philatelic Agency in Washington promised for the show. The same stamps that are on sale in the nation's capital will be made available to visitors to the Columbus show. These agencies, wherever granted, have proved to be most popular, and are usually well patronized.

General chairman of the show this year is T. A. Stevens, 438 Rowlands Bldg., 12 North Third St., Columbus 15, Ohio. Mr. Stevens will be happy to furnish further information about the show to interested persons who will write to him at the above address.

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**From Our "What's Going
On Around Here" Dept.**

Several of our readers brought the following item to our attention. It's a good thing that they did too, because it is going to tickle a lot of people as much as it did us. It happened out in Spokane, Wash.

Mathematicians to the contrary. Postmaster Will W. Simpson ruled today that half of a three-cent stamp isn't a 1 1/2-cent stamp. He returned all of one woman's Christmas card mailings, explaining: "She cut three-cent stamps in two and put a half a stamp on each card."

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B176	.95	B216	.18
B177-85	1.10	B217	.05
B186-7	.30	B218-29	.50
B188	.18	B230	.06
B189	.35	B231-6	.40
B190	.28	B237-40	.15
B191	.55	B241-2	.07
B192	.60	B243	.15
B193	.35	B2	

The Migratory Game Hunting Stamps

By Henry H. Huff

In 1934, the estimated population of North American waterfowl had dropped alarmingly to approximately 27,000,000 birds. This compares with a high mark of 125,350,000 reached in 1944, just ten years later, after conservation methods were put into effect.

A drought of the greatest severity ever recorded prevailed over waterfowl breeding grounds during the year 1934, killing millions of young birds and their mothers. During the decade from 1921 to 1931, the kill of birds by hunters each year was estimated to exceed by 9,000,000 the number that left the nesting grounds.

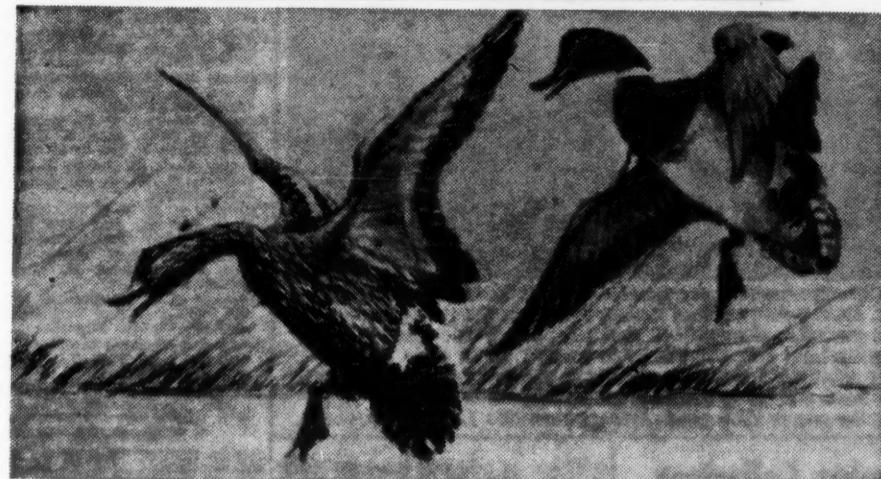
It was at once apparent that unless something was done to prevent the declining supply of ducks and geese future generations might find the only existing specimens in glass cases in museums. A Migratory Bird Conservation Act was passed in 1929 to provide funds for the purchase and maintenance of areas for migratory waterfowl refuges but in the midst of the depression years legislation to finance this work was defeated and there was a general feeling that sportsmen themselves should pay the bill. On March 16, 1934, the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act was approved. It provides that all migratory-waterfowl hunters over 16 years old must buy the current \$1.00 Migratory Waterfowl Hunting stamp, popularly called the "Duck" stamp, and attach to their hunting license before hunting wild ducks, geese or brant. Only one stamp is required, regardless of the number of states in which the hunter shoots during the open season.

The Hunting Stamp Act stipulates that not less than 90 per cent of the total proceeds from the sale of stamps can be used by the Fish and Wildlife Service to supplement other funds for the purchase, development, administration, and maintenance of waterfowl refuges throughout the country. The remaining 10 per cent is used for the printing and distribution of the stamps, enforcement of the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act and other Federal laws for migratory bird conservation. The stamps are placed on sale on July 1st each year at all first and second class post offices and are available for both duck hunters and philatelists. The stamps are printed from 112 subject plates on flat bed presses and are issued in panes of 28. They are perforated 11 x 11 and in size are about twice as large as the special delivery stamps.

The first stamp of the series, blue in color, had first-day sale on August 14, 1934. Two mallards, a hen and a drake, dropping to a landing was the subject of this first stamp. The artist was J. N. "Ding" Darling of Des Moines, Iowa, well known for his portrayal of wild life. Plates numbered 129199, 129200, 129201 and 129202 were used in printing the stamp. It was inscribed "U.S. Department of Agriculture" at the top and "Void after June 30, 1935" in the upper right corner of the design. Total sales were 635,001. In January 1935 the estimated continental waterfowl population had advanced to 30,000,000. Minnesota held first place in stamp sales that year and Illinois was second. The Mallard is the best known of all species of ducks and is found over a greater portion of the earth's surface. It is the chief waterfowl of most game reserves. The drake's head is green and the female is characterized by a white fringe around her tail. Its habitat is marshes, ponds, rivers and swamps.

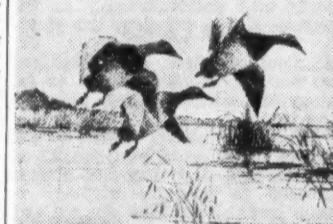
The second stamp issued for the 1935-36 duck hunting season, was rose lake in color and pictures "Three Canvasbacks" in their first sweep through the air after taking off from a placid surface inter-

The most complete story of the "Duck" Stamps that has ever appeared in a philatelic journal. Photos by Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.



1934-35. Two Mallards, a hen and a drake, landing.

spersed with water plants. Canasback ducks have a big white body, small wings, slender heads, thick neck and huge paddle-like



1935-1936
Three Canvasbacks Taking Off From Placid Surface

feet. These ducks are exceptionally "good eating." The "dean of American duck etchers," Frank W. Benson of Salem, Mass., was the artist. The stamps went on sale July 1, 1935 and were printed from plates 131980, 131981, 131982, 131983. Sales of this stamp dropped to 448,204, making it scarcer in quantity than the 50-cent Trans-Mississippi and the 9-cent Nebraska overprint. Estimated waterfowl population that year rose to 35,000,000. Minnesota led in stamp sales and Illinois held second place.

The third stamp, inscribed "Void after June 30, 1937," had as its subject "Three Canada Geese" on the wing. It was taken from an etching by Richard E. Bishop of Philadelphia, Pa. who is both a



1936-1937
Three Canada Geese On The Wing

sportsman and an artist. The artist's design and the stamp shows a band on the right leg of the center bird. By means of numbered bands the Fish and Wildlife Service can trace the migration routes of migratory birds. The Canada geese, in migrating, take the familiar V-shape formation. It is stated that when feeding in the grain fields of the Northwest, they post sentries in the air to alert the flock if danger is sighted. The Canada geese have long black necks and a face patch. They mate for life. Total sales were 603,623, still below that of the first stamp. Minnesota and Illinois continued to lead in state sales, with Wisconsin in third place. The color of the stamp was brown black and only two printing plates were used, 134317 and 134318.

Five scaup ducks, three males and two females, speeding over a windswept reach of marsh water, was the subject of the fourth stamp, issued on July 1, 1937. The color was light green. J. D. Knap of New York city was the artist. The scene, which is typical of waterfowl feeding grounds along the Atlantic coast, is off the Great South Bay, New York. A single plate numbered 136267 was used in printing this stamp of which 782,039 were sold. Minnesota con-

tinued in first place in sales but



1937-1938
Five Scaups Coming In Preparatory To Alighting In A Feeding Area

Wisconsin moved to second place and Michigan was third. The scaups are swift flyers, showing a stripe of white on the wing as they weave through the air. The entire head, neck and fore part of the body of the male is black with green and bluish reflections. The female has a belt of pure white around face at base of bill.

The fifth stamp in the series, and the last to bear the inscription "U.S. Department of Agriculture," was issued on July 1, 1938. A pintail drake and duck coming in for a landing was the subject. The design was from a dry-point etching by Roland Clark of New York



1938-1939
A Pintail Drake And Hen Coming In For A Landing

city. One plate numbered 138802 was used for the printing. For the first time, duck stamp sales passed the million mark, the exact total being 1,002,715. The estimated continental waterfowl population in January 1939 had advanced to 57,000,000, more than twice the number when the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act was enacted in 1934. The color of this stamp was light violet. The pintail ducks are probably next to the mallards in abundance in the Mississippi Valley and the West. They have long slender necks and are so swift in flight that they are sometimes called the "greyhounds of waterfowl."

The green-winged teal is portrayed on the 1939-40 duck stamp. The design shows a male and female standing at a marsh edge with five teals descending for a



1939-1940
Green-Winged Teal Standing At A Marsh Edge

landing. On July 1, 1939, the Bureau of Biological Survey of the

from a water color by E. R. Kalmbach of the Fish and Wildlife Service Denver, Colo., is shown on the 1941-42 issue. The male and female ruddy ducks are pictured with their brood swimming at the



1941-1942
Male And Female Ruddy Duck With Their Brood Swimming At Edge Of Marsh

edge of a marsh. This is the only stamp of the series in which no ducks are pictured in flight. The ruddy duck is a chunky little bird about 15 inches long with small rounded wings and is said to be known by 61 different vernacular names. The male is reddish with white face and undertail; the female is grey-brown with light color. Color of stamps, brown carmine. Plate numbers—146271 and 146282. Quantity issued, 1,439,967. The January 1942 estimate of waterfowl population was 100,000,000. Although records for the previous 12 years are not available, the Fish and Wildlife Service compiled a detailed report of game taken in the United States for the year 1942, which would embrace part of the sales of this stamp and the July 1 to January 1 sales of the 1942 stamp. The total was 16,275,664 ducks and 440,472 geese, a grand total of 16,716,336 waterfowl. This would represent one-sixth of the total estimated continental waterfowl population. The figure is particularly interesting because we shall see the waterfowl population mounting for another two years and then take a downward trend.

"Baldpates" is the duck species pictured on the 1942-43 duck stamp. They are also known as widegeons. The design produced by dry point on copper, is the work of A. Lassell Ripley of Lexington, Mass., famous for his wildlife etchings and paintings. One bald-



1942-1943
Pair Of Baldpates At Edge Of Marsh, With Second Drake Coming In To Join Them

drake is shown in flight and two in the marsh. They are primarily fresh-water marsh ducks about 20 inches in length. A white spot on the head gives them a "bald" appearance. The stamp was printed in brown carmine from plates 149-599 and 149600. Sales were 1,383,629, a slight drop from the previous year. Continental waterfowl population mounted to 120,000,000. Minnesota continued to hold first place in stamp sales and California, which had zoomed to second place the previous year, dropped to third place. Michigan held second place.

The 1943-44 stamp, tenth in the series, was Indian red in color. It pictured two wood ducks in flight. This species of ducks get their name because they like wooded

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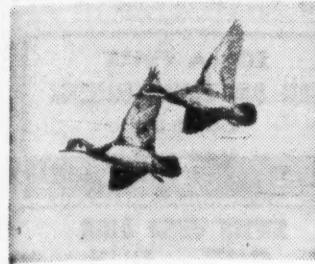
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THE MIGRATORY GAME HUNTING STORY

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swamps where there are hollow trees. They breed locally in every

1943-1944
Two Ducks In Flight

one of the states and are primarily a United States bird. They have short necks and a narrow white line on the rear edge of the wing in flight. The design is from an etching by Walter E. Bohl of Wisconsin. Several of Mr. Bohl's etchings are now in a permanent collection in the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D. C. Plates 152826 and 152827 were issued for this stamp. Sales dropped to 1,169,352. The January 1944 estimated continental waterfowl population soared to an all-time high, 125,350,000. Minnesota was first in stamp sales, California second and Michigan third.

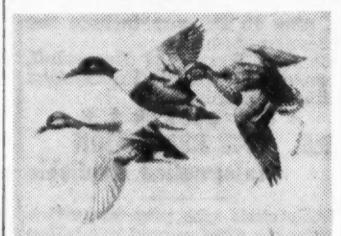
Three white-fronted geese, part of a flock coming in, was official title of the design of the stamp for the 1944-45 hunting season. The design was adapted from a black



and white wash drawing by Walter A. Weber of Vienna, Va. Many of the Wildlife Conservation Stamps issued annually by the

National Wildlife Federation are the work of this artist. The stamp was printed in bright red-orange and is the most colorful in the series. Plate numbers were 155590 and 155603. Sales set a new high at 1,487,029 while estimated continental waterfowl population dropped to 105,500,000. The white-fronted geese fly in V-shape formation like the Canada geese and their cry sounds like the syllable "wah." Lakes and marshy meadows are their habitat. California moved to first place in stamp sales this year with Minnesota second and Texas third. Michigan dropped to fourth place.

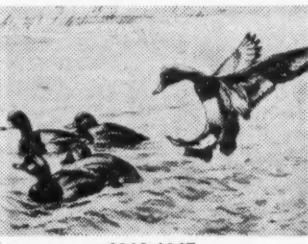
Owen J. Gromme, curator of birds and mammals at the Milwaukee Public Museum, Milwaukee, Wis. was the artist who supplied the design for the 1945-46 stamp. It is taken from a black and white water color. The stamp

1945-1946
A Female And Two Male Shovelers In Flight

is also printed in black and white. The subject is a female and two male shoveller ducks in flight. This species of ducks get their name from their spoon-like bill, broadened at the tip. Using their bills like a shovel, they sift out of mud such delectable morsels as worms, shell fish, seeds and tadpoles. The male, when in flight, exhibits five contrasting areas of dark light and dark light dark. Plates issued were 157248 and 157249. Sales soared to 1,725,505, while the January 1946 continental waterfowl population dropped alarmingly to 80,000,000, a decrease of 36 per cent from the 1944 figure. As every duck hunter is required to have a migratory bird hunting stamp attached to his license, the sale of duck stamps is in reality a "census" of duck hunters. In a two-year period 1944-46, the sale of duck stamps increased 44 per cent when ducks

were declining 36 per cent. A shorter duck-shooting season or a reduced bag limit, or both, were means sought to halt and reverse the serious decline in wild duck population.

The 1946-47 duck stamp witnessed an innovation. To cope with the anticipated record-breaking sales of this stamp, four plates were used in printing the stamps 158448, 158449, 158456 and 158457.

1946-1947
Four Redheads—A Female And Three Males—Riding The Waters With Another Male Alighting

An additional plate numbered 47510 (offset) was used to print on the back of each stamp before gumming the following inscription in capital letters, arranged in six lines: "It is unlawful to hunt waterfowl unless you sign your name in ink on the face of this stamp." The offset number "PL. 47510" appears in vertical position on the outside edge of the sheet, parallel with the second stamp above the center line, in each pane of stamps. A rigid enforcement of this regulation means the end of used specimens of "duck" stamps without defacement. Collectors will have to invest in mint stamps to obtain desirable specimens. It is probable that in the past unscrupulous hunters may at times have deliberately refrained from signing their names on their stamps, making it possible to soak the stamp off and transfer to another hunting license, thereby depriving the government of revenue. With instructions printed on the back of each stamp, no hunter would find excuse to plead ignorance of the law. At this writing, sales of the 1946-47 stamp had not been fully compiled but 1,836,390 stamps had been sold in the period from July 1, 1946 to Dec. 31, 1946.

Design of the 1946-47 stamp showed four redheads, a female and three males, riding the water with another male alighting. Robert W. Hines of Columbus, Ohio, an artist employed by the Ohio Division of Conservation and Natural Resources, made the original sketch, a black and white wash drawing. The stamps were printed in medium dark maroon-brown. The male ducks have a warm reddish-brown head, which accounts for their name. Their habitat is marshes, lakes and coastal waters. This stamp was thirteenth in the series.

The current duck stamp, placed on sale July 1, 1947, pictures two snow geese in flight. The design is effectively reproduced in black and white making it one of the most attractive stamps in the group. Jack Murray, art director for "Outdoors Magazine," Boston,

Year Stamps sold at
1940-41 Philatelic Agency
1941-42 3,649
1942-43 2,605
1943-44 3,407
1944-45 5,161
1945-46 7,564
1946-47 10,889

The growing sales reflects graphically the increasing interest in the duck stamps among philatelists.

Unfortunately, when the stamp illustration law was enacted, no provision was made for including the Migratory Bird Hunting stamps. Therefore, it is a strict violation of the law to reproduce these stamps. In September this year (1947) booklet number three of the Conservation in Action series of the Fish and Wildlife Service of the U. S. Department of the Interior was produced in the U. S. Government Printing Office. It contains 14 pages and cover and bears the title "Federal Duck Stamps and Their Place in Waterfowl Conservation."

The designs of the 14 Migratory Bird Hunting stamps are reproduced on the two center pages of this publication by special permission of the Secretary of the Treasury. "Further reproduction, in whole or part, is prohibited," the booklet states.

On the inside cover pages is a map of the states with thumbtacks sketched in to show the location of federal waterfowl refuges in the United States. The booklet contains much statistical and factual information about the duck stamps, the conditions that led to the enactment of the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act and the national waterfowl restoration program. The booklet was edited by Edna N. Sater, acting in charge of the Section of Current Information, Division of Information, Fish and Wildlife Service. Pen and ink and crayon illustrations by Katherine L. Howe provide a decorative touch to the booklet.

Illustrations of the artists' designs of the duck stamps are from original photographs loaned me by the Fish and Wildlife Service. I am indebted to the Division of Information for the material that forms the basis of these articles.

The colorful poster stamps issued annually by the National Wildlife Federation, 1212 Sixteenth St., N. W., Washington, D. C. portray in natural colors many species of trees, flowers, animals, birds, fish and fowl native to the United States. From the various issues one may garner many pictures of ducks that can be used to supplement a collection of the duck stamps. The appearance of my own collection is enhanced by the addition of the Wildlife poster stamps. The 1947 issue was the seventh in the series. The stamps sell for \$1.00 per sheet, the funds from their sales being used for educational purposes "to restore and conserve our soil, forests, water and wildlife vital to the nation." Jay N. Darling, designer of the first duck stamp is honorary president of the organization.

BOOKLET ON DUCK STAMPS AVAILABLE

1947-1948
Two Snow Geese In Flight

Mass., was the artist. This makes the third time that geese have been pictured on the "duck" stamps. The 1936 stamp pictured three Canada geese on the wing and the 1944 stamp showed white-fronted geese. It is interesting, however, that no artist has produced more than one design in the series. Plates numbered 159461, 159462, 159463 and 159464 were issued for this stamp but the same back plate 47510 (offset), made for last year's stamp, was used again this year. The snow goose breeds in Arctic America and migrates south. There are several varieties most of which are white with blackish primaries and yellowish bills. The greater snow goose usually frequents the Atlantic coast and the lesser snow goose is found on the Pacific coast and in the Mississippi valley.

Beginning with the 1940-41 season, detailed reports of duck stamp sales released by the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, showed the number of stamps sold at the philatelic agency each year. The record is as follows:

Ninety-Nine Years Of United States Postage Stamps

By H. M. Brehm
(Written by the author in August 1946.)

On July 1, 1847, we issued our first two stamps—the 5c Franklin and the 10c Washington. Now in August 1946, that event was just a little over 99 years ago.

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Of the 178 basic designs on "ordinary" postage, 160 have been dead men's faces, mostly ex-Presidents, and one woman's face, that of Martha Washington. George Washington's portrait, alone, has been used 59 times, and that of Benjamin Franklin 36 times.

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The 17 extra-ordinary "ordinary" postage stamps are as follows:

1869

Post Horse and Rider, Locomotive, Eagle on Shield (two), Ocean Steamship, Landing of Columbus, Declaration of Independence.

1922 and 1923

American Indian, Statue of Liberty, Golden Gate, Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Arlington Amphitheater, Lincoln Memorial, U. S. Capitol, Statue of Freedom.

1938

The White House. That's all, because there aren't any more, as Oliver Twist, was once told.

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Collectors Can Obtain Two New French Catalogs

The information that the 1948 edition of the Yvert-Tellier Stamp Catalog has been published comes to us from the agent of the catalog in this country, Jacob Habib. The "Yvert" is printed in France in the French language, and has the same standing for the stamp collectors of the European countries that the Scott Catalog has in the United States.

Besides listing all the stamps of the world, the Yvert lists many of the revenue stamps of the foreign countries. Therefore it is one of the few sources that collectors of foreign revenue stamps have for the identification of these issues.

The Thiaude 1948 catalog is also reported as being obtainable from Mr. Habib. The listings in this work are confined to the stamps of France and its Colonies, and is the recognized handbook for these issues. Both catalogs list stamps not found in the Scott editions, besides listing many of the varieties that are not included by Scott. Interested readers can obtain information about the two French catalogs by writing to Mr. Habib at 1407 Sheridan Ave., Bronx 56, N. Y.

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We Often Wondered Where He'd Gotten To

Happy in the wonderful climate of San Diego and hopeful of seclusion from attention of 11 million stamp collectors, Hugh M. Clark, one of the leading authorities on postage stamp collecting in the United States, is now living "somewhere in San Diego."

Clark for many years edited the Standard Postage Stamp Catalog, revised annually, and was owner of Scott Publications. He was assisted by his wife Theresa M. Clark, in his editing chores, which included several specialized catalogs on stamps and albums for stamp collectors.

The philatelist declared he had come to San Diego to escape collectors. He has an unlisted phone number.

"If collectors track me down, I will be hounded for opinions and

appraisals of stamps," he explained.

Francis McCarty of San Diego, California, who sent us the above information has his doubts that Mr. Clark will remain long undiscovered.

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The Postal Administration of Monaco has made the announcement that on March 5, 1948 it will issue a semi-postal stamp for the "Day Of The Stamp" and in compliment to the Interregional Philatelic Exhibition. The stamp will have a design that will commemorate the issuance of the first stamp of the Principality of Monaco.

The design of the stamp will include a reproduction of the first stamp of this country. This is Scott No. 1, type A1, which carries a likeness of Prince Charles III. Value of the stamp will be 6 plus 4 Fr.; it is to be produced from an engraving. During the above mentioned exhibition a "Maximum Card" will be sold there which will cost the visitors 10 Fr. plus 10 Fr. and include the admission charge.

Charles Wettry of Beauvois, Monaco supplied the information of this coming issue.

A.P.S. 1948 EXHIBITION Information Available

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R219	.25	.15	.08	R224cc	.95	.80	.60
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R251	.10	.06	.04	R256	.20	.12	.05
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R253	.25	.18	.10	R257	2.25	1.50	.85
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RB34	.35	.30	.10	R290	2.25	1.60	.85
RB35	.50	.40	.20	R291	3.25	2.50	1.50
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1914 BLACK PROPRIETARY D. L. WMK.

	F-VF	VG	Fair		F-VF	VG	Fair
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RB46	.10	.07	.03	RB60	.40	.30	.15
RB47	.04	.02	.01	RB61	1.95	1.50	.65
RB48	.05	.02	.01	RB62	1.95	1.50	.50
RB49	.05	.02	.01	RB63	8.50	6.50	3.50
RB50	.06	.03	.02	RB64	3.25	2.50	1.25
RB51	.50	.40	.20	RB65	1.75	1.25	.65
RB52	.25	.18	.10	RB66	1.75	1.25	.65
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By Carl P. Rueth

It so happens that Henry Friedman (British Empire Chatter) and I, are the only two columnists who do not have their handsome faces gracing their columns this week. He declined because of modesty, I for another reason. Some years ago when I was the brightest of "Boss" Kettering's Mechanical Engineers (personal opinion) in that tremendous large corporation, and before we both retired from our respective jobs therein, he made a remark that stuck with me. He said, "It takes only one-seventh of a second for a radio news bulletin to go around the entire world, but it sometimes takes years for an idea to penetrate the 6 inches of bone surrounding a human brain."

As I mentioned above, this remark had a profound effect on me. So much so in fact, that in order not to miss any ideas, I immediately went to the nearest hardware store where I had a number of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch holes drilled all over my head. Since they show, and since I don't like my picture with a hat on, you don't get any picture.

If you are feeling especially dull this week you can skip the next part, because it consists of the usual two question quiz.

1. There have been nine souvenir sheets issued by the Post Office department. Does each sheet have all the stamps on it of the same design, and were there any sheets with just the one stamp on it?

2. Has the United States Post Office Department ever issued a stamp in honor of the Declaration of Independence?

When asked at a stamp club

meeting the other night what was meant when the catalog described a stamp as being perforated $11 \times 10\frac{1}{2}$, a Junior collector stated that it meant that there were more places along the top edge of a stamp where there wasn't any paper than there were along the sides. Sounds reasonable.

There used to be a post office at one time, writes Ervin Willis of Tuscon, Arizona, in this state that had the name of Christmas. This was located about 75 miles north of Tuscon in a small mining town of that name. Due to the slackening of mining activities, the original population of 1000 persons of its hey day has now dwindled to a mere 50. This was not enough to interest the Post Office Department, so in the early 1930's it closed the Christmas post office. This, of course, stopped the yearly deluge of Philatelic Mail which descended on the town each December.

Just did a little checking the other day to see why the 10c Smoky Mountain souvenir sheet, and the Tipex sheet never have amounted to much as investment items. Principal reason seems to be the large amount of them that were printed. There were 5,277,445 of the former issued and 2,809,039 of the latter. That's comparatively a lot of sheets when one considers that there were only 107,398 of the White Plains, 456,704 of the 1c Chicago Sheet and 441,172 of the Chicago three centers. With an announced printing of 10,000,000 of the CIPEX sheet, and the fact that a lot of people had the money to lay away stacks of these, it probably won't amount to a hill of beans as an investment for a long time to come.

Two Pennsylvanians, Bob Clark of Philadelphia, and H. J. Mandeville of Pittsburgh, passed along some of those "did you ever know" items. As a sample, here are a few:

30 states have post offices named Hillboro; there are 27 Washingtons, 16 Albanians, 22 Buffalos and 23 Clevelands.

Last year, the Post Office Department destroyed more than 15,000,000 letters that were so illegible, or so insufficiently addressed that delivery was impossible. What's more, 83,648 of the letters contained money.

The parcel post section of the dead letter department is far from being idle. In 1947, it received 871,849 parcels, completed delivery or returned 104,950, and sold the remainder at auction for \$245,023.43.

MORAL: Be sure that you have all the information contained in the address, legibly written, if you want your mail to go where you intend it to.

A lot of wheels have to turn a lot of times to produce one billion, seven hundred million Christmas Seals, but that is the total absorbed by the public of the United States in its support of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association last year. Shifting the decimal point to the proper place in the above figure shows that Americans shelled out seventeen million dollars for this charity.

Einar Holboll, a postal clerk of Denmark, is credited with being the originator of the Christmas Seal back in 1904. Jacob A. Riis, a prominent social worker in the United States became sold on the idea; in an article in the July 6, 1907 "Outlook" he urged the adoption of the idea first originated by Holboll.

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about that would be of special interest to you? Usually I write about the new issues and discoveries in my field, but naturally the usual won't do for a special column. Perhaps you would like to hear some of my thoughts and comments on Revenue stamps in general. How about it? O.K.? O.K., here goes—

The collecting of Revenue stamps in general seems to be a world apart from that of collecting Postage stamps. I was never made more aware of this than when I would go to some local stamp club and announce (to collectors who asked me what I collected) that I was interested in Revenue stamps only. Usually their jaw would drop and they managed to mutter an "OH!". With that our conversation ended and also our acquaintance. (Alright, maybe I am exaggerating a little!) It seemed that I had just blandly announced that I was a Nazi or a Red or some other unpopular villain!

Since I am a very naive person I just never have understood their attitude. However I have often thought that it might be that they just didn't happen to collect Revenue stamps! But naturally that isn't the reason, because there's nothing wrong with collecting Revenue stamps instead of collecting Postage stamps. Is there?

Revenue stamps form an integral part of our past history. They tell us some of the many ways that our governments have supported themselves and made it financially possible to administer the laws we have made to govern ourselves and our neighbors. In this way Revenue stamps are symbolic of our Government's Financial Development while Postage stamps are symbolic of our Government's Communications Development. Both are vital parts of our growth. The former is the most vital however since, as applied to your household, it's more important that you are able to finance its existence than that you are able to communicate with other families. That's true, even though one often aids the other.

The subject matter of Revenue stamps and Postage stamps is a different thing; but mainly because commemoration of our past history has been excluded to the Postage issues! The subject matter of regular postal issues is just about of the same interest as that of the revenue issues, in fact the current issues of Revenue stamps are much more attractive than the current Presidential series of Postage stamps!

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Thru this new organization many "Revenueurs," as we call ourselves, are becoming acquainted via the mail route with others of their ilk, which naturally benefits interested collectors of Revenues and stimulates like interests in other collectors who were formerly only slightly or not at all interested. Many Philatelists are discovering the fascination of collecting Revenue stamps of our Federal Government, State Governments and even Foreign Governments.

As a result of all this I predict that someday I'll be able to visit stamp clubs as a Revenue collector without feeling that I am (1) an intruder, (2) a foreigner, (3) a bestial criminal, (4) a Hitlerite,

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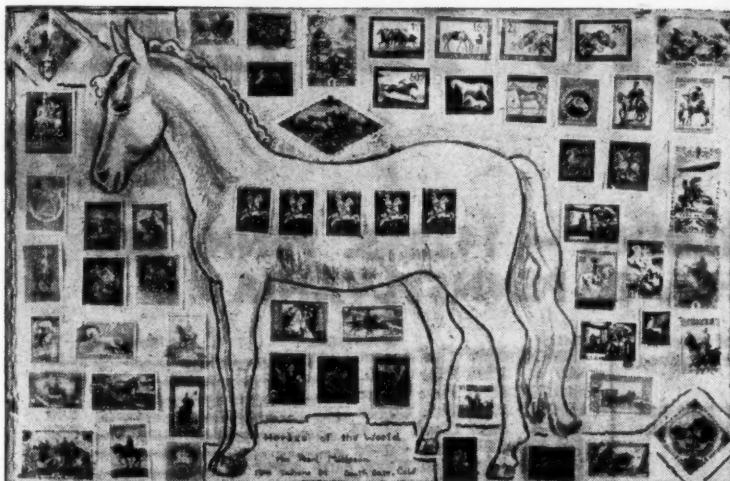
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BY GARNER CURRAN,
The Collector's Bulletin

There are so many facts to the hobby of stamp collecting that the beginner is often confused as to what to do.

With the flood of new issues constantly coming off the presses from all over the world, the general collector is becoming a rarity. He is discouraged by the realization that he can never acquire ALL issues. First because of the expense and second because of many stamps not being for sale at any price. They cannot be found. He forgets, "The lure of the chase" is the main thing in any hobby or hunting. The human instinct to get something you do not have, something that even the other fellow collector does not have. It is the old desire to keep up with the Jones family or go them one better."

After the collector decides not to start a general collection, he then begins to eliminate countries. He may decide to collect U. S. only or also include the British Empire. Such a collection will always be a safe and good investment and keep even a keen collector busy for his span of life.

However, such a collection does not appeal to many and they then seek something more special, like Pre-cancels, blocks, even full mint sheets, or single mints.

A Topical Collection should solve the problems for many who wish to find something to test their patience, as this will compel much research work and shrewd buying or exchanging with other philatelists all over the world. To get a list of foreign collectors, one should join a number of international stamp clubs. The Pacific Stamp and Hobby Club, founded by the writer over 10 years ago, with over 2500 members now in 96 countries will furnish any member with a roster of members, alphabetically arranged, by countries. This list alone is well worth the membership fee of \$1.50. Mr. Nelson A. Frazer, Phelan 6, Calif., is the new President and Manager.

The illustration used above shows how attractive a topical collection of stamps can be arranged for display in shows or in an album. It is the property of Mrs. Pearl Matteson of South Gate, Calif. Mrs. Matteson has a number of topical collections of stamps, including horses, birds, flowers, seals, etc. Her frame of horses on stamps, won an award at the recent show of the Southwest Hobby Society show in Huntington Park. This frame is only a part of her collection of horses on stamps. The excellent drawing of a horse shows how such topical collections can be made additionally attractive by drawings, photos or clippings. This opens up an endless field for novelties in making attractive frames or pages.

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Little Facts About Stamps Although Queen Victoria was permitted to use a franking privilege on her mail she always paid postage on all her personal letters sent through the post.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
(Continued from page 12)

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741 ☒	#701 Fine O. G. blk. of 4	5.00
742 ☒	#704-715 fine O. G. blks. of 4	9.45
743 ☒	#703 Fine O. G. sheet of 50, perfs. all around	5.00+
744 *	#703-50 stamps, fine O. G. WHOLESALE	5.00
745 ☒	#704-715 Fine O. G. blks. of 4	9.45
746 ☒	#717 Sheet of 100 fine	7.00+
747 ☒	#728 Sheet of 100 fine	5.00+
748 ☒	#734 Sheet of 100 no side margins, good	22.00
749 ☒	#740-749 fine O. G. blks. of 4	7.57
750 ☒	#740 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	2.50+
751 ☒	#741 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	3.50+
752 ☒	#742 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	5.00+
753 ☒	#743 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	7.50+
754 ☒	#744 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	7.50+
755 ☒	#745 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	10.00+
756 ☒	#746 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	10.00+
757 ☒	#747 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	11.00+
758 ☒	#748 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	15.00+
759 ☒	#749 Sheet of 50 fine O. G.	20.00+
760 ☒	#754 Matched set pl. # blks. of 8, fine	—
761 ☒	#755 Matched set pl. # blks. of 8, fine	—
762 ☒	#768-69-70 cross gutter blks. of 16 fine	—
763 ☒	#771 Blk. of 4, fine	6.00+
764 *	#771 Horiz. pair, fine	3.00+
765 ☒	#772 Sheet of 50, fine	5.00+
766 ☒	#832 Fine first day cover	5.00
767 ☒	#833 Fine first day cover	5.00
768 ☒	#834 Fine first day cover	10.00
769 ☒	#854 Sheet of 50 fine	6.00+
770 ☒	#862 Sheet of 70 fine average	12.60+
771 ☒	#880 Sheet of 70 fine average	5.60+
772 ☒	#891 Sheet of 70 fine	8.40+

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775 O	Massachusetts, 135 different, good	40.00
776 O	Missouri & Mississippi, 130 diff., good	40.00
777 O	New York, 330 different, good	125.00
778 O	Ohio, 300 different, good	150.00
779 O	Pennsylvania, 210 different, good	92.50
780 O	Wisconsin, 86 different, good	36.00

781 ☒	AIRMAIL #C18 fine, pl. # blk. of 4	50.00
782 ☒	#C20 Fine, blk. of 4	2.50
783 ☒	#E2 Good O. G.	5.00
784 *	SHANGHAI #K16, O. G., perfs cut	10.00
785 ☒	CARRIER #LO2 canc. red star, fine cover	25.00

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786 *	#O29 Fine	6.00

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913 *	FIJI #59-62, 64-67, Fine	7.55
914 *■	#62, Fine	4.00+
915 *	#106, Fine	5.00
916 *	FINLAND #153-154, 155-157, 180-181, B2-4, F	5.20
917 *	GAMBIA #36, Fine	3.00
918 *	#37, Fine	4.00
919 *	#38, Fine	4.00
920 *	#53, 55, 57, 59, Fine	6.50
921 *	#58, Fine	7.00
922 *	GERMANY N. G. P. D. #1-11, Fine	7.91
923 *○	#63, 117, 337-338, 345-346, 350 F, all scarce	5.75
924 *■	#347-349, Fine blks of 4	2.80+
925 *○	#B12-14, Fine	1.95
926 *	#B28-32, Fine (#B28 no gum)	7.25
927 *	#B34-37, Fine	4.65
928 *	#B42-43, Fine	3.00
929 *	#B59-67, Fine, no gum	7.65
930 *○	#B283, 12 WHSLE on cacheted cards, F.	6.00+
931 *	GILBERT & ELLICE IS. #40-51, Fine	4.99
932 *	#J1-8, Fine	2.96
933 *	GOLD COAST—#47, Fine	6.50
934 *	#115-126, Fine	5.73
935 *○	#123-127, Fine	6.75
936 *■	GR. BRITAIN—Good coll. of 7 early covers	3.62+
937 *○	#1, Good	8.00
938 *	#54, Fine	7.50
939 *○	#74, small flaw, good looking	25.00
940 *○	#124, Very Good	12.50
941 *	GREECE #16-18, Good	10.50
942 *	#19, Good	6.00
943 *	#27, fine though faint crease	12.00
944 *	#32, Fine	4.00
945 *○	#40, Fine horizontal pair	3.00+
946 *	#45a, Good	4.00
947 *	GRIMALAND WEST—#83b, 47, 97, 98, 99, Fine	7.00
948 *○	GUAM #8, Fine, tiny thin	4.00
949 *○	HAITI #1, 3, 4, 5, Fine	9.00
950 *○	#1-6, Good	20.50
951 *○	#8-13, Fine ave.	5.35
952 *○	#14, Good	4.00
953 *○	#18-20, Good	5.75
954 *○	30 diff. 1881-1898, fine ave.	10.04
955 *○	22 diff. 1882-1898, fine ave.	10.22
956 *	#80, Good	4.00
957 *■	#193, Fine blk. of 4	8.00+
958 *○	HANOVER #11, 12, 19, 20, 27, Fine	6.10
959 *	IRELAND #1-11 (except 10a), fine	6.51
960 *	#15-24, 26, 28-30, 32, 35, Fine	9.42
961 *■	#27-30, Fine	12.20+
962 *	#44-55, Fine	3.30
963 *	INDIA #142-148, C1-6, Fine	7.97
964 *	IONIAN IS.—#3, Fine	3.50
965 *	ITALY #B17-33, (except B29), Fine	4.21
966 *○	JAMAICA #77, 500 WHOLESALE	15.00
967 *○	#103, 400 WHOLESALE, FINE	8.00
968 *	#109-112, Fine	2.75
969 *	#116-128, Fine	8.98
970 *	#MR1-2, 4-11, #101-108, 113-115, Fine	4.80
971 *	JUGOSLAVIA—#1125-42, Fine	5.05
972 *	LATVIA WHOLESALE—9 sets of German Occupation, unlisted	—
973 *	LITHUANIA #45, vert. pr. imperf, fine	—
974 *	#70-80, Fine	5.50
975 *	#70, 80, yar., imperfs with large margins, Fine	—
976 *■	#B51, 51a, 55, Fine	5.60
977 *	Sanabria #53-58, 69-84, 90-105, fine	11.85
978 *	MALTA #112, Fine	3.50
979 *	#113, Fine	5.00
980 *	#166, Fine	8.00
981 *	#184-190, C1, J11-20, Fine	5.86
982 *	MANCHUKUO #32-35, Fine	2.75
983 *	GAUDELOUPE #168-186, MARTINIQUE #26 Blk. of 12, fine lot	5.87
984 *	MESOPOTAMIA—#N41, Fine	7.50
985 *○	#N28-36, 38, 39, NO1, 2, 9, 10, Fine	5.63
986 *○	MEXICO #1-3, Fine	4.50
987 *	MONTENEGRO #1N1-1N4, Fine	6.85
988 *■	MONTSERRAT #13, 16, 31a, 24, 15, 32, 36, F.	5.00
989 *	NATAL #15, Fine	7.00
990 *○	#38, 46, 51, 64, 65, Fine	9.75
991 *○	#65-69, 71-74, 76, 78-80, Good	10.93
992 *○	#81-84, 85, 86, 88, 89, 90, 105, 68, 62, Good to fine	7.20
993 *■	#84, 86, 89, fine O.G. blks of 4	6.60+
994 *○	NEPAL Specialized coll. of 50 stamps includes shades, Est. 10.00	—
995 *○	NETHERLANDS #1, town canc., fine	2.00+
996 *○	#4-6, Fine	8.60
997 *	#7, Fine O. G.	3.50
998 *	#7-8, 11, 14, good to fine	4.75
999 *	#8, Fine O. G.	5.00
1000 *	#23-26, Fine O. G.	3.40
1001 *	#53, Fine, tiny thin	6.00
1002 *	#84, Fine O. G.	4.00
1003 *	#102, 103, 106, 107-109, 113-123, 135-136, F.	6.58
1004 *	#104, Fine, pin point thin spot	6.00
1005 *	#105, Fine O. G.	6.00
1006 *○	#104, fine #105 tiny thin, fine looking	9.00
1007 *	#143-145, 147-161, fine O. G.	7.63
1008 *	28 diff. bet. #164-192 (no A numbers), F.	9.38
1009 *■	#227-243, Fine blks.	—
1010 *■	#245-261, Fine	5.40
1011 *■	#262-276, Fine blks.	7.68
1012 *	#278-281, Fine	—
1013 *○	#278-281, Fine	—
1014 *■	#278, Fine blk. of 4	—
1015 *	#B1-3, Fine (#B1 no gum)	3.25
1016 *	#B4-5, Fine	3.50
1017 *	#B4-5, Fine	3.50
1018 *	#B25-32, Fine	2.65
1019 *	#B33-53, Fine	11.00
1020 *	#B66-69 Fine A varieties	3.20
1021 *	#B81-85, 86-117, Fine	7.90
1022 *■	#B81, fine block of 4	3.00+
1023 *	#B118-145, 148-153, Fine	6.21

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1024 *■	#B146-147, Fine blks.	3.85
1025 *	#C1-2, 4, 5, 9-11, Fine	3.65
1026 ○	#C6-8, Fine	4.00
1027 *	#C7, Fine	4.50
1028 *	30 Postage Dues bet. #J44-79, fine	5.72
1029 ○	#O1-7, Fine	6.30
1030 ○	#O9-15, Fine	7.00
1031 *	NEVIS #7, fine but tiny flaw	12.50
1032 *	NEWFOUNDLAND #18, Fine	2.50
1033 *	#180, Fine	6.00
1034 *	#182, Fine	5.00
1035 *	NEW REPUBLIC #1, 2, 43, 45, Good	4.50
1036 ○	NEW ZEALAND #163, 1500 WHOLESALE	30.00
1037 *	#229-241, Fine	6.95
1038 *	#B7-21, 24-25, Fine	10.35
1039 *	#B8-21, 26-27, Fine	7.35
1040 *	Officials, 1936-44, 34 diff. fine	8.34
1041 *■	NICARAGUA #103, diagonal half tied to fine small cover	—
1042 *■	#288, Fine blk of 12	4.80+
1043 *	NIGER COAST PROT.—#1-6, Fine	7.25
1044 *	#43-48, Fine	4.85
1045 *	OLDENBURG—#17-18, (#17 thin spot)	12.50
1046 *	ORANGE RIVER COLONY #1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, good to fine	—
1047 *	#44, 45-49, 51-53, Fine	2.89
1048 *	#61-68, Fine	5.25
1049 *	#69, 73, Good	8.00
1050 ○	PERSIA #33, good	4.00
1051 ○	PERU #140, Fine	3.50
1052 *	PHILIPPINES #287a, fine O.G. though small thin spot	22.50
1053 *	#E6, Fine	5.00
1054 *	POLAND #N44-55, Fine	10.91
1055 *	#NB41, Fine	10.00
1056 *	PORTUGAL #7, Fine	8.00
1057 *	#12-15, Good	18.75
1058 ○	#108-109, Fine	7.00
1059 *○	Collection of 197 diff. good	18.32
1060 *	#B2, 3, Fine	3.00
1061 *○	PORTUGUESE CONGO—#75-98, Fine	3.17
1062 ○	PORTO RICO—#J2, Fine	1.25
1063 *	#MR7, Fine WHOLESALE 150	9.00
1064 ○	PRUSSIA #2, 3, 5, 9, 11-13, 14a, Fine	10.05
1065 ○	#21-22, Good	25.50
1066 *	REUNION #Y & T 18-23, fine Air Mail, Vichy issue of 1942, 6 values, 1 fr to 20fr	—
1067 *○	ROUMANIA #29, 30, 31, 32, Fine ave.	5.10
1068 *	#329-335, Fine	2.80
1069 ○	#B1-16, Fine	2.80
1070 *○	RUSSIA #242-245, 265-268, 330-332, 373-374, 347-348, 294-297, 336-338	10.05
1071 *	#375-381, Fine	7.55
1072 *○	#411-412, 427-430, 431-434, 438-440, 470, 480-481, 514-516, fine	—
1073 *	#485-486, Fine	5.00
1074 *	#489-510, Fine	6.67
1075 *	#524-528, fine	3.25
1076 *	#569-572, Fine	4.00
1077 *○	#573-576, 577-579, 580-595, Fine	8.45
1078 *	#597-604, 606-609, 629-635, Fine	7.00
1079 *○	#636-658, 678-692, Fine	8.21
1080 *	#698-712, 714-717, Fine	9.73
1081 *	#718-737, Fine	6.63
1082 *	#738-742, 745-766, Fine	8.92
1083 *○	#767-788, Fine	6.44
1084 *	#789-810, Fine	4.59
1085 *	#811-831a (incl. 811a-816a), Fine	7.91
1086 *	#836-840, 842, 844-49, 852-855, Fine	8.05
1087 *○	#856-866, 876-889, Fine	11.20
1088 *○	#890-896, 899-910, 912-922, Fine	8.90
1089 *	#897-898, Fine	6.60
1090 *	#923-928, 931-944, Fine	6.88
1091 *	#945-958, 960a-965a, 960-969, fine	8.32
1092 *	#971-979, 981, 983-988, Fine	8.00
1093 *○	#1015-1038, Fine	6.42
1094 *	Sanabria #1, Fine	8.00
1095 *	Sanabria #1b, Fine	12.50
1096 *	Sanabria #2, fine	8.00
1097 *○	#C50-57, C6-9, 2-5, 12-13, Fine	10.05
1098 *	#C37-39, Fine	3.10
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7	30A 5c Type II, Fine	15.00
8	32 10c Type II, Fine	11.00
9	36 V.F., though has pin hole	10.00
10	67 5c Buff, minor defects, fine appearance	40.00
11	70, 24c Fine	12.00
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13	#71, same, wee tear	9.00
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70	#311, \$1, Fine	5.00
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115	✉ #545, 1c COIL WASTE, VG, NH	12.00	236	✉ #510 (5), 512 (2), 563 (2) SE	3.5
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117	✉ #545, same VG mint STAR & PL. BLK.	65.00	238	✉ #585 (4 Blox) good average OC, NH	11.00
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IOWA: This is the third mixture I have ordered from you. It is needless to say that I am well satisfied with your lots.

NEW JERSEY: I like the mixture very much.

FLORIDA: I am well pleased with the stamps.

ILLINOIS: Just to let you know your mixture is the biggest bargain in stamp collecting.

PENNSYLVANIA: My wife enjoyed sorting the mixture I bought some time ago. So did

OHIO: Just a short note to let you know I was more than pleased with the recent mixture you sent me.

CALIFORNIA: The mixture was very satisfactory.

CANADA: Had a pound of your unpicked mixture a few weeks ago. Was very pleased with it.

ASSACHUSETTS: Very much satisfied with the mixture sent me.

CALIFORNIA: Have just received the mixture consisting of mainly real late issues, and find it so satisfactory that I am enclosing a check for another pound.

PENNSYLVANIA: I bought an offer from you and was well pleased with the mixture.

NEW JERSEY: This mixture was better than I expected. In fact, it was very good.

MICHIGAN: The mixtures you sent me have been excellent.

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PRECANCEL PLEASURE



"OIHO" for "OHIO"

By George C. Mynchenberg, M. D.
Elyria, Ohio

(Stamps For Illustrations From The Collection of the Author)

The word Precancels covers quite a large field in Philately. To make a broad division, we have U. S. and foreign precancels. As for the foreign precancel collections, I have seen Canadian, French and Belgian. I have not seen an Austrian collection, although the rarest Austrian stamp is a precancel. There may be other foreign precancels that I do not know about. I have derived a lot of pleasure out of building my own Canadian collection. Unlisted items can be found and there are several "one onlies" in Canadian precancels. As for U. S. Precancels, they can again be divided broadly



Canadian Types

into two parts; bureaus and city type. The bureaus represent the commercial branch of our precancels. A catalog listing their value is brought up to date and re-issued annually. Here we know just what has been issued and a complete collection can be made in singles. This yearly catalog, the possibility of completing, and the financial or true value of bureaus, attracts a large following of interested collectors.

The bureau enthusiast may have his choice of several different ways of collecting. In addition to singles, blocks and pairs, he might confine himself to old type, B-11-13, or the new B-15 narrow type. Or, he might disregard types and collect according to series. Here we have the pre-prefixes, prefixes, defense and war issues. Furthermore, with the prefixes and pre-prefixes the coil collector might collect position pairs; plain, gap, line, and combination.

As we delve deeper yet into bureau collecting, we have the variety collector who may find al-



Line and Gap Coil Pair—Every 204 Stamps

most no end in new discoveries. (See the stamps in the heading. One has Ohio spelled "OIHO", left above, while the other has number "1" for an "I" in Ohio, right above.) He is the fellow looking for missing periods, shifts, various spacings, breaks, repairs and so forth in the overprint. Once he locates a missing period, or worn section of a plate, he follows it up being on the lookout for an eventual repair. He can show you the constant changes as they occur in the plate and his collection is indeed most interesting. A special catalog has been published illustrating, numbering, and pricing these varieties.

Thus, with bureaus we have many ways of collecting. You may expand or limit your field according to your time and supply of material you have to work with. The many new discoveries uncovered in the hunt will increase interest as your collection grows.

For the collector who desires to keep up to date and have a nice looking collection, there are dealers who supply bureaus on new issue service. However, we have many enthusiastic collectors who get a big thrill out of swapping, hunting and building their collection gradually. Here again you take your choice. The latter may not give you such a good looking collection, but your hours of genuine enjoyment will be many.

The ways and methods of collecting city type precancels are so many and so varied that I will attempt to write about only some of those that I have seen.

In the beginning, most everyone was just a general precancel collector. They accepted anything that came along regardless of type, value, city, or series, and it went somewhere in their collection. This species still exists. I have seen at least half-a-dozen, not too long ago. The chances are as they die off, their collection will be split up, segregated, and they will become extinct. Here we must give those old-time general collectors credit for originating the congenial, good natured background that has been built around precancel collectors by their practice of swapping stamp for stamp regardless of value and freely giving a fellow member a duplicate. Precancel collectors are still well known for their good fellowship.

As the general collections grew to large volumes, the trend toward specializing developed.

The state collector probably predominates among the precancel specialists. His object is to corral all precancels from a certain state, usually his own state or the state of his birthplace. A complete or near complete state collection will afford you with more entertainment and run into greater proportions than you might think.

In the early days, most larger cities and many smaller cities used precancels quite extensively and the different types on different values and series will surprise you with their numbers and scarcity.

The type specialists go after all precancels they can find in one or more certain types. Here the double line collectors take the lead. I am sure you have all seen double line precancels; those with double hair-line cross bars instead of the single heavy dark cross bar. They do indeed make a beautiful collection and we have them on many issues from 1917 on, including postage dues, airmails, commems,

special delivery, etc. There are three distinct types of the double



Double Line Types

lines known as U-14, U-15 and U-16. The printing of a special double line catalog some years ago had a lot to do with the increased number of double line collectors and a new catalog is badly needed.

City type coil collectors are quite numerous. They are much harder to get as a rule than bureau coils, especially in pairs. Such a thing as a complete collection is possible, but I have never seen one. The main reason for the city type coils being so scarce is the fact that they were not bath-tubbed as much as were the bureaus. We also have a special city type catalog which has helped stimulate interest in them. (Published by Gunesch.)



City Type Coils

The Bicentennial issue of 1932, being of the regular size postage was used and precanceled quite extensively. In their hey-day they were all the rage and became so popular that we had a special catalog for them. If you didn't collect Bicents in those days you were a back number. Bicent collections are still around but not so plentiful. Many collections are now coming in handy for types and towns since their numbers and varieties were many.

Commemorative precancel collections are very pretty and will catch the eye of most anyone. However, since the ruling of about ten years ago to the effect that precanceling commems would be prohibitive, a great many favors have shown up and this has hurt their popularity. In case of necessity a few commems are still precanceled and used legitimately, but for the most part, precancel commems of late vintage are "made to order."

In the past few years synoptic collections have been on the increase. It seems to be natural for a U. S. Collector to try for a precancel on all U. S. stamps when he first gets the precancel fever. Some even try to get them according to the watermark but when you try that you are going to have a job. Some U. S. stamps were hard enough to segregate by watermark and when you must have the precancelation added, you just double your difficulties. I never did enjoy watermarking anyhow and that was one thing I liked about precancels, you did not bother with watermarks. You will have a lot of fun with a synoptic collection but don't be too particular about the minor varieties.

Towns and types sure are the rage at this time. The printing of the supplement to the 1944-1947 Year Books of the Precancel Stamps Society has been a big help in promoting town and type collecting. I see note books with the new towns written in and fellow collectors checking them carefully. The various sheets published by Hoover Brothers showing the towns and types are seen everywhere with the markings of the collector showing what he needs. The small "tank-towns" are the ones most in demand. The duplicate stock books of swapping town-type collectors is predominantly yellow and green, loaded with 1/2c and 1c items. The only objection here as I see it is that often a magnifying glass and perhaps a little imagination is needed as some overprints do not show up too good.

I have seen collections of just certain stamps such as the 3c Stuart, 1 1/2c side-view Hardings and 13c apple greens. They are pretty, take the precancel well and form a very nice collection.

Other specialties I might mention are the Black Hardings, Susan Anthony, the Dollar values and the Flags. I have to say that they do have the eye-appeal but most of them being favors, a lot of nice postage was spoiled by precancelling.

Precancels in groups, or lots of certain issues are interesting, such as the Parcel Post, the National Parks, the Defense and Offense or the prefixes. Or, we might specialize in the fractionals, the 1/2c, 1 1/2c and 4 1/2c. A well-known Ohio collector has a lot of fun with all

1c values of which there are more than any other one denomination. All perf 10's would also form a nice collection but you couldn't be too cranky here about the centering.

Varieties in overprints rather than the stamps could be collections of Indian names, three or four letter towns, or for a short one, try for the names of our Presidents on precancels. One odd collection I saw was where the person was trying to get precancel towns of his state and matching them with the same name from all other states having a town of the same name.

To mention a few other specialties, how about a collection of postage dues, revenues, documents used in World War I to pay tax on packages, playing cards or the revenues back to Civil War days? I have seen several collections of state capitals and county seats.

The classic collections and pre-1920's I have seen are something to be envied. I remember one where the collector had an album, all pre 1920 and it really was a honey. This collection had laid dormant for 25 years and contained many unlisted items that the state editors had not seen but they were not for sale.

I have not seen any collections of precancels on cover as such, but you will find nice items on cover in various general collections. I speak of not the late pre-canceled envelopes but covers with stamps that should be listed for types. Stamped envelope pre-canceled collectors keep theirs in filing cabinets rather than albums.

Then we come to the dated and integral collections. I have seen these in many different ways. Some collect only printed dated as some hand stamps do make a smarmy job. Some collect only MW or SRC (Montgomery-Ward and Sears, Roebuck Co.), some NEA, or Manchester C-B and etc. I was surprised to see the size of some of these collections and what a nice showing they made.

From the above you will see that the tastes and enjoyments of precancel collectors are many and varied. It's hard to name any specialized branch of philately that offers a greater variety to suit the individuals likes and dislikes. Precancels, in one way or another, offer the collector most anything he is seeking in the way of a hobby.

Precancel collections are usually mounted according to states and towns in alphabetical order, and in order of denomination. However, some mount in a hodge-podge manner, and again this may be done to suit the whims of the individual. Some mount all the stamps normal even though the overprint is inverted, others mount with the overprint normal and disregard the position of the stamp.

I saw one collection mounted alphabetically by cities, disregarding state names. The owner was

deceased, and I spent a whole afternoon going through a dozen or so books looking for the Ohio's I needed, to see if it would pay me to buy the lot. I finally gave it up as did about six others I talked to who had done the same. Lo and behold, I later ran across another such "mounter" and found that he had purchased some of the books I had looked through. As luck would have it, he was interested in buying, but the sales value of such a collection is considerably less than if mounted according to states.

The day when precancels could be had for a song is no longer with us. Ten years ago the U. S. dealers would sell you their precancels for a little or nothing as so much junk. A precancel bargain can still be had now and then from a U. S. dealer but you don't find many of them selling unpicked boxes stuffed full for a dollar as in the old days.

One more thing I want to speak of is the favor racket. I have nothing to say about the practice of buying precancels unused if they were meant for use. Some postmasters, to help their stamp sales, will precancel anything in stock. This is bad enough. However, this thing is carried much too far when the collector starts bringing in sheets of commems or other stamps which the PM never knew existed, and has them overprinted. Some postmasters are much too lax in permitting collectors to use their device and I have known collectors to carry their own inking pads from town to town. It has gotten so bad that some have almost quit collecting for this reason and others have had to publish "no buy" on them. This synoptic collecting may partly be the cause for the favors, but if we would take the profit out of it with a buyer's strike, I think that would end it. However, the number of persons in this racket is very small so we might just give them enough rope to hang themselves. The side shows of Barnum would have soon gone out of business if we all were not suckers at times. "To Each His Own". This is a free country and everyone has a right to their own opinion. I have argued with several against the favors but we have always parted friends and done business in other lines.

The good feeling at a round-up, the joy in pursuing and finding a wanted item, and the many friends made in precancels sure have given me a great deal of pleasure. The kick out of seeing the other fellow's collection and the many ways of collecting precancels surely will also give you pleasure in precancels.

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The Stamps of Greece, Scotts #427-436 were issued to commemorate the founding of Greek Youth Organization. These were good for postal use only on August 3-4-5, 1940 but they remained on sale until February 3, 1941. Check your dates on this set if you have it used.

ABOUT "MR. PRECANCEL"

We are quite certain that in the field of precancel stamp collecting, Dr. George Mynchenberg could be regarded as Mr. Precancel. To earn this title, he first had to have the stamps and the knowledge about them, then he had to have the most important ingredient, the good will and the respect of his fellow collectors. He has both in large quantities. As to the stamps, he has in excess of 200,000 different Bureaus and Locals, 25,000 of which are devoted to his native state of Ohio. His Ohio collection is considered the largest of those of that state; in fact, he is considered to have the largest precancel collection in the country.

Dr. Mynchenberg's collection of Canadian precancels is without peer also. He now has in his possession the second copy of the famous Liberty, Mo. 102, 1 1/2c coil stamp, the most valuable of them all. The first one he disposed with a collection. His collections have won awards in all sections of the country, and wherever part of the Mynchenberg collection is entered, there one will find the good doctor also.

In the early part of his married life (now in its 28th year) Dr. Mynchenberg was a medical missionary to Liberia, an appointment that lasted for two years. He served in both World Wars in the Medical Corps holding the rank of Lt. Col. at the time of his discharge in number II. His collecting began as a youngster, and only turned to precancels in 1939. At the present time, he is the Regional representative of the Precancel Stamp Society for the Fifth District, and spends many happy hours with the clubs and the collectors in this district which includes the states of Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and W. Virginia.

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Florida Mayor Rises In Wrath

This week it is the turn of the Floridians to express themselves on the matter of the Everglades stamps that the Californians, at least a few of which, refused to use on their mail because it allegedly advertised competition. It has developed into a good natured contest, with Florida having the say so this week in the person of Mayor Liberman of Miami Beach. Troy Huffman of adjacent Miami passed the Mayor's reaction to us, in which Mayor Marcie Liberman of Miami Beach said that he was "annoyed" with Californians who protest use of the new three-cent Everglades National park stamps in Golden State post offices.

"They should be sentenced to lick all 100,000 Everglades stamps in the stock of Santa Monica

Postmaster Philip T. Hill.

"That would make their bad taste complete," said his honor.

"Did Florida protest when the government issued the Panama-Pacific stamps for the San Francisco exposition of 1915? No!

"Did we threaten to boycott stamps of the great expositions at San Diego and San Francisco? No!

"Did we get sore when the post office issued a stamp publicizing California's own great Yosemite National park? No!

"Florida postoffices all issued those stamps and we were happy to help a struggling resort state get along," said his honor with well, was it just a touch of sarcasm?

Liberman, incidentally, is quite a collector of small pieces of paper himself. But don't send him any first day covers unless they're on a first mortgage or a gilt-edge security. He's a banker.

That reference to California as a struggling resort state is the "coup de grace," and by golly that ought to hold 'em.

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Interesting Quiz On

The Presidential Series

You might want to try the following questions on yourself just to see what knowledge you have of a current issue of United States stamps. It would also be a good stunt to try on your fellow members at the local stamp club some evening when things are a little slow. The issue about which the questions are asked is the Presidential, the one now currently used for the prepayment of regular postage. The questions were prepared by E. M. Halterman of Warren, Ohio. Eight right out of ten will rate you as superior, while naming the correct answers for the entire lot rates you as super-super.

1. In what year or years was this issue put out?

2. How many stamps in this issue to make it complete?

3. Three values have no dates on them. Which are they?

4. Whose picture are on these values? 10c, 18c, 25c & 50c

5. How many of these stamps are without frames?

6. Which three stamps have four stars on them?

7. What Coil Stamps are in the Presidential Series?

8. Which stamp is rose-red in color?

9. What perforation do you find on these stamps?

10. How many of these subjects appear for the first time on U. S. stamps?

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320B	2c Scarlet	1.65	3.30	3.30	17.50
1908-09	1c Green	.16	.30	1.85	3.00
344	2c Carmine	.45	1.25	.90	2.50
345	3c Violet	2.20	4.50	4.50	18.00
346	4c Brown	2.70	5.50	5.50	11.00
347	5c Blue	5.00	11.00	19.75	22.00
368	2c Lincoln	2.80	5.75	5.75	18.00
371	2c Alaska	4.00	8.25	8.25	16.00
373	2c Fulton	2.25	6.75	6.75	13.50
1910	1c Green	.16	.30	1.85	3.00
383	2c Carmine	.45	1.25	.90	2.50
384	2c Carmine	.10	4.50	.20	9.00
1912	1c Green	.05	.28	.09	.90
408	"A" & Pl. No.	.05	.38	.09	.75
409	2c Carmine	.05	.38	.09	3.00
409	"A" & Pl. No.	—	—	—	6.00
409	Imprint & Pl. No. & "A"	—	—	—	3.00
1917	1c Green	.11	.23	.45	.85
481	2c Carmine	.20	.40	.40	1.80
482	3c Violet	.30	.60	.60	1.80
483	#7942 (5c Error Sheet)	.80	1.00	3.20	6.00
483A	3c Violet, Die I.	.80	1.00	3.20	6.00
483A	3c Violet, Die II.	.80	1.00	3.20	6.00
1918-20	1c Green	1.45	3.00	6.00	10.00
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532	2c Carmine, Va.	1.25	2.50	5.00	8.25
532A	2c Carm. V.	5.00	10.00	20.00	40.00
532B	2c Carm. VI	2.20	4.50	9.00	17.00
532C	2c Carm. IV	1.80	3.60	7.20	12.00
536	3c Violet	1.25	2.50	5.00	8.00
575	1c Green	.70	1.40	2.80	7.00
576	1 1/2c Brown	.17	.34	.34	2.00
577	2c Carmine	.19	.38	.38	2.00
612	2c Black Harding	1.25	2.50	5.00	10.00
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753	3c Byrd	.15	.40
753	3c Mother's Day	.15	.40
755	3c Wisconsin	.15	.60
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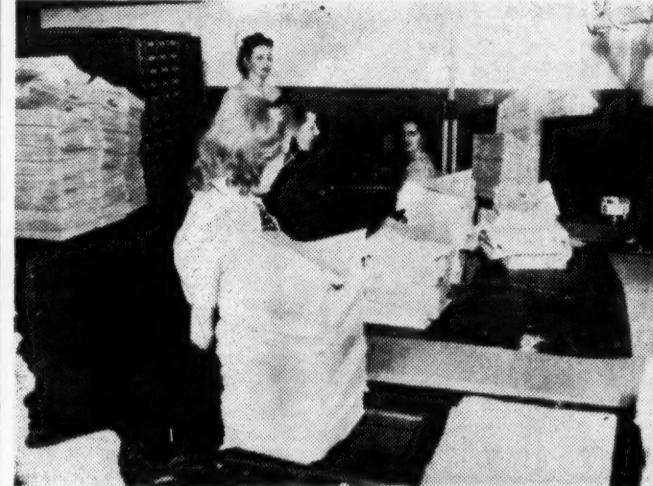
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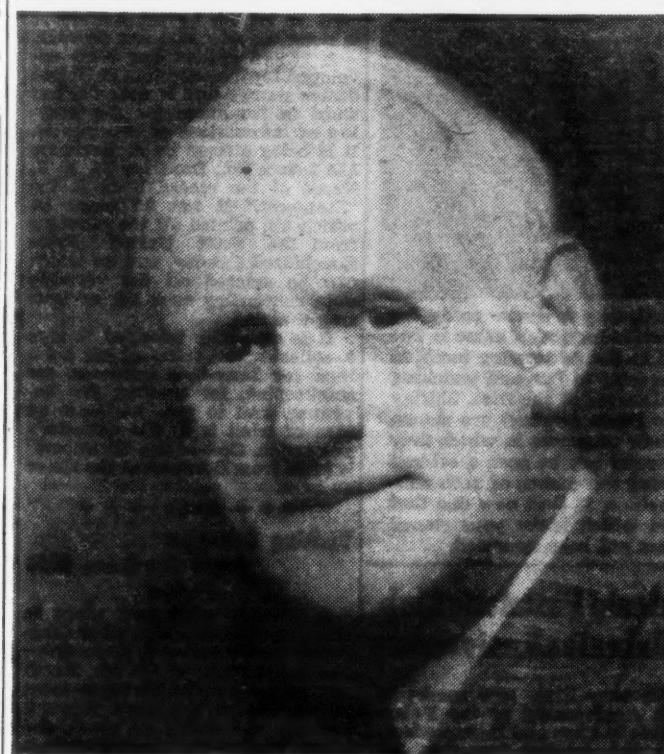
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RUETH TELLS ON TAITE

The readers and correspondents of this column are certainly going to regret that Mr. Taite will not be able to supply them with his usual sage observations on the trend in the values and the collecting habits of those of the by-gone days. We do have him with us though, both in picture and in spirit, and perhaps he won't mind if we tell a little about his philatelic history. Mr. Taite was taken ill while on a visit to Ohio during the Thanksgiving holidays, and at the time that this is written is convalescing at the Mt. Carmel hospital in Columbus, Ohio. And we would like to add that it wasn't the beautiful weather out this way that put him there. If his convalescence progresses as rapidly as we all hope that it will, he should be back in his Maine home by the time that you read this. Let's all hope that he is!

One look at the twinkling and steady eyes of the man in the picture above will convince anyone that here is a 55 year old youngster. Harry L. Taite was born in the city of Boston, and it was there that he first became interested in stamps at the age of eleven in 1893. Even at that tender age, he was seriously attracted to the stamps of the United States and developed a love for them that has never ebbed. He early followed the advice that he passes along in this column, for he made it a point to be a good customer of the various dealers of the time.

From the beginning, he went out of his way to get the better copies of the stamps then current, and at a time when the fetish for condition and centering was not near so great as it is now. By 1905, he had let his enthusiasm for fine grade U. S. stamps, including everything from the regular postage issues to the revenues, build up a stock of some of the finest copies of these stamps existant. Result was that he turned to dealing.

Through his geniality and the easy sharing of his knowledge with other collectors, Harry Taite was thought of first when estates of these old time friends were broken up for sale. In this manner, he was given the first opportunity of purchasing the fine old collections and accumulations, many of which he acquired intact with their interesting invoices and the old issues of philatelic publications. It is from these that he gets the stories and the background for the observations and the advice that he offers on the older issues of this country.

Regular readers of this column, especially those who are enhancement minded, have appreciated the prima facie evidence about the increase in value of the old United States classic issues that he has presented in full from these papers. After being a collector and a dealer in fine United States material for over 50 years he is certainly well qualified to offer his philosophy of "Don't sell U. S. short," or to say it another way, "Buy, and hold on."

For the present, the best wishes of all of us go to Mr. Taite for a speedy recovery, a wish that is shared by all our readers. As soon as we can prevail upon Mr. Taite to dig into his files for the evidence, and upon his superb experience in United States issues for the readin', we're unashamedly going to ask him to share it with us. We like it, the readers like it, and we sorta suspect that H. L. gets a kick out of doing it.

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The stamp is valued in Stanley Gibbon's catalogue, which is recognized as a world authority on stamp values, as being worth about £4,350. Only about 12 of the stamps are known to exist. Several months ago one of these stamps, in poor condition, was sold for about £2,000. Mr. Haydock says his stamp is in good condition, with the cancellation marks clearly showing.

Mr. Haydock said that on the centenary of the stamp's issue last September he read that the stamp was first issued at the order of the Governor's wife at Mauritius on September 21, 1847, to post invitations for a ball she was giving on the island. She commissioned a watchmaker named J. Barnard to engrave a stamp for her. This was done on copper depicting the head of Queen Victoria on a groundwork of diagonal and perpendicular lines. However, there was an error in the marking of the stamp and it was only used on this occasion.

When asked what he intended doing with the stamp, Mr. Haydock said that he intended keeping it for the time being but if a suitable offer were made he would sell it. He thought that the chances of the stamp being a forgery were very remote, as it measured perfectly with the catalogue version.

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24	475	1916-17 15c gray, fine mint	10.00
25	514	1917-19 15c gray, plate block of 6, very fine mint	27.50
26	526a	1918-20 2c Offset, Type Va, top plate block of 20 no. 11495, very good mint	9.55
27	526c	1920 2c Offset, plate block of 6, #10886, with gash on forehead, very fine mint	10.00
28	531	532b, 1918-20 1c, 2c Type VI, imperforate offset, pair of each, very fine mint	10.50
29	558	1922-25 6c red orange, block of 4, fine mint	10.00
30	558	1922-25 6c red orange, top plate blks. 6, fine mint	15.00
31	558	1922-25 6c red orange, top plate blks. 6, V.G. mint	15.00
32	560	1922-25 8c olive green, top plate blks. 6, V.F. mint	9.00
33	560	1922-25 8c olive green, bottom pl. blks. 6, V.F. mint	9.00
34	567	1922-25 8c carmine rose, top plate blks. 6, V.F. mint	8.50
35	573	1922-25 8c American, very fine mint	10.00
36	591	1922-26 8c orange, top plate blks. 6, U.R. 17614 near superb, mint, this condition worth over cat.	8.00
37	595	1923-26 2c perf 11 rotary, perf touch top otherwise fine mint	13.50
38	619	1925 5c Lexington, block of 4, fine mint	9.00
39	704-15	1932 1c-10c Washington Bi-Centennial composite, plate blocks of 4, fine to very fine	12.75
40	740-49	1934 1c-10c Nat'l. Parks Cpl., plate blks. 6, fine	11.15
41	868	1940 10c Riley, plate blks. 4, U.L. #22515, fine mint	5.50
42	C1	1918 6c orange, top plate blks. 6, #9155, centering very fine, margin cut close, very good mint	22.50
43	C1	1918 6c orange, centerline block of 4, fine mint	20.00
44	C1	1918 6c orange, left arrow block of 4, fine mint	16.00
45	C1	1918 6c orange, block of 4, very fine mint	12.50
46	C1	1918 6c orange, lower corner blks. 4, with S.E., V.F.	12.50
47	C2	1918 16c green, block of 4, fine mint	40.00
48	C2	1918 16c green, bottom strip, 4 with S.E., fine mint	32.00
49	C2	1918 16c green, very fine	8.00
50	C4-6	1923 8c-24c complete, very good to fine	13.50
51	E1	1885 10c Special Delivery, fine mint	5.00
52	E9	1914 10c Special Delivery, perf 10, very fine	5.50
53	JQ1-5	1912 1c-25c Parcel Post Dues complete, fine	5.27
54	O20	1873 1c Interior, block of 4, fine mint	17.50
55	O47	1873 1c Post Office, top plate block of 30, #43, very good to very fine mint	—
56	O73	1873 2c Treasury, bottom plate blks. 20, #42, perf touch or cut otherwise very fine mint	—
57	U67	1867 9c, 71, 72, 73, 1864-86 9c, 12c, 18c, 24c, 30c, & 40c, cut squares, 40c thin, others fine	25.00
58	WX4	1908 Christmas Seal, Type II, very fine mint	3.00

UNITED STATES MINT SHEETS

(catalogued as singles)

Lot No.	Cat. No.	Des.	Cat. Val.
59	663	1930 2c Charleston, sheet of 100, plate #20043 U.L. minor gum creases otherwise fine to very fine mint	20.00
60	668	1930 2c Braddock, sheet of 100, fine mint	14.00
61	668	1930 2c Braddock, sheet of 100, stamps range from fine to very fine mint, margins poor	14.00
62	740, 741	1934 1c & 2c Nat'l. Parks, sheets 50, fine mint	6.00
63	746	1934 1c National Parks, Sheet of 50, fine mint	10.00
64	748	1934 9c National Parks, Sheet of 50, fine mint	15.00
65	749	1934 10c National Parks, Sheet 50, V.F. mint	20.00
66	798	1937 3c Constitution, Sheet of 50, very fine mint	5.00
67	836	1938 3c Swedes & Finns, Sheet of 48, fine mint	9.60
68	886	1940 3c St. Gaudens, Sheet of 70, V.F. mint	7.00
69	902	1940 3c 13th Amendment, Sheet of 50, V.F. mint	10.00
70	903	1941 3c Vermont, Sheet of 50, very fine mint	7.50

UNITED STATES WHOLESALE

(Numbers in () indicate quantity)

Lot No.	Cat. No.	Des.	Cat. Val.
71	526	1918-20 2c Offset, Type V, fine mint, (33)	13.20
72	526	1918-20 2c Offset, Type V, very good mint (24)	9.60
73	526a	1918-20 2c Offset, Type Va, fine mint, (34)	13.00
74	526a	1918-20 2c Offset, Type Va, very good mint, (20)	8.00
75	526d	1918-20 2c Offset, Type VI, fine mint, (5)	5.00
76	526d	1918-20 2c Offset, Type VI, very good mint, (5)	5.00
77	602	1923-29 5c vertical coil, fine, (100 pairs)	6.00
78	604	1923-25 1c horizontal coil, average, (100 pairs)	10.00
79	604	1923-25 1c horiz. coil, ave., (35 line prs., 70 prs.)	11.20
80	605	1923-25 2c horizontal coil, average, (100)	5.00
81	605	1923-25 2c horizontal coil, average, (100 pairs)	10.00
82	702	1931 2c Red Cross, very fine mint, (300)	24.00
83	737	1934 3c Mother's Day Rotary, 30 pl. blks. 4, fine M	16.50
84	740-49	1934 1c-10c Parks cpl., fine to VF, (12 sets)	20.04
85	740-49	1934 1c-10c Parks, 4 sets of blks 4, F-VF mint	30.08
86	778	1936 3c Tipex, very fine mint, (10 sheets)	5.00
87	778	1936 3c Tipex, very fine mint, (20 sheets)	10.00
88	797	1937 10c SPA, very fine mint, (25 sheets)	6.25
89	818	1938-43 13c Presidential, average, (100)	10.00
90	821	1938-43 16c Presidential, average, (100)	12.00
91	824	1938-43 19c Presidential, average, (100)	12.00
92	827	1938-43 22c Presidential, average, (100)	18.00
93	828	1938-43 24c Presidential, average, (100)	15.00
94	843	1938-43 24c Presidential, coil, average, (100)	4.00
95	843	1938-43 24c Presidential, coil, average, (100 pairs)	8.00
96	843	1938-43 24c Presidential, coil, ave., (96 line pairs)	9.60
97	844	1938-43 42c Presidential, coil, average, (100)	5.00
98	844	1938-43 42c Presidential, coil, average, (100 pairs)	10.00
99	845	1938-43 5c Presidential, coil, F-VF, (121 pairs)	12.10
100	846	1938-43 6c Presidential, coil, G-VG, (118 pairs)	9.44
101	846	1938-43 6c Presidential, coil, G-VG, (33 line prs.)	3.30
102	847	1938-43 10c Presidential, coil, good, (139)	13.90
103	847	1938-43 10c Presidential, coil, good, (100 pairs)	20.00
104	847	1938-43 10c Presidential, coil, VF, (37 line prs.)	9.25
105	848	1938-43 1c Presidential horiz. coil, average, (100 prs)	4.00
106	848	1938-43 1c Pres. horiz. coil, ave., (54 pairs, 42 line prs)	4.68
107	849	1938-43 1c Presidential horiz. coil, average, (262)	5.24
108	849	1938-43 1c Pres. horiz. coil, ave., (100 pairs)	4.00
109	850	1938-43 2c Presidential, coil, average, (187)	5.61
110	850	1938-43 2c Presidential horiz. coil, average, (107 prs.)	6.42
111	851	1938-43 3c Presidential horiz. coil, average, (173)	3.44
112	851	1938-43 3c Presidential horiz. coil, ave., (100 pairs)	4.00
113	851	1938-43 3c Presidential horiz. coil, ave., (70 line prs.)	4.76
114	913	1943-44 5c Netherlands, 6 cpl. used sheets, fine	27.00
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116	922	1944 3c Railroad, average, (400)	8.00
117	923	1944 3c Steamship, average, (500)	10.00
118	924	1944 3c Telegraph, average, (300)	6.00
119	925	1944 3c Corridor, average, (500)	10.00
120	926	1944 3c Movie, average, (100)	2.00
121	928	1945 5c United Nations, average, (200)	8.00
122	C1	1918 6c orange Air Post, fine mint (5)	12.50
123	C1	1918 6c orange Air Post, straight-edged, fine to very fine mint, (13)	32.50
124	C2	1918 10c green Air Post, S. E., fine mint, (6)	48.00
125	C2	1918 10c green Air Post, S. E., fine mint, (6)	48.00
126	C10	1927 10c Lindbergh, 40 copies, 20 with S.E., G-F.	7.20

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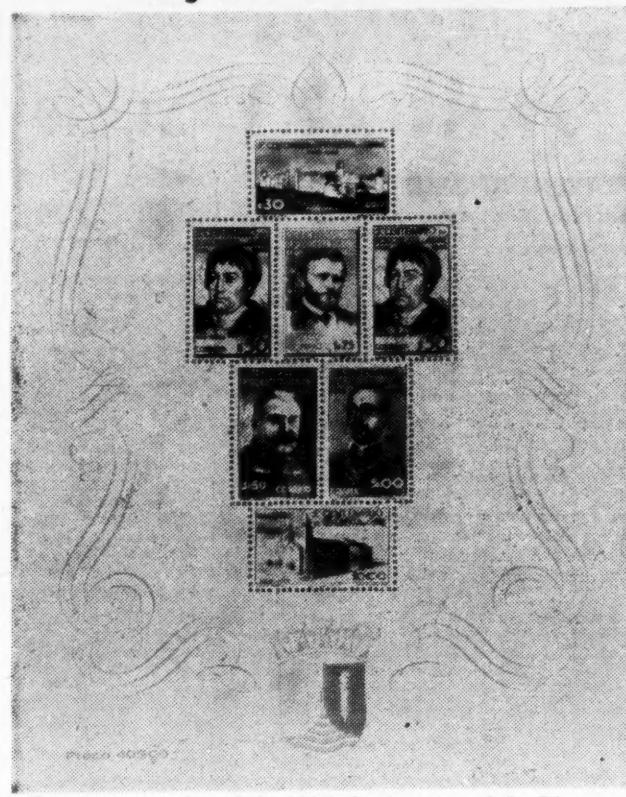
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In commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Discovery of Guinea, an issue of stamps was made which included a souvenir sheet. There is one stamp in the set for this Portuguese colony that will find an attraction for those collectors specializing in Americana on stamps. This is the 1\$75 value in dark blue on which President Grant is pictured, and occupies the middle position in the row of three stamps on the above sheet. The set as separate stamps was issued in 1946, but the souvenir sheet is of recent issue. The sheets are said to be none too plentiful; price noted at the bottom of the sheet is 40\$. We are able to show the above sheet through the courtesy of Larry Borenstein of New Orleans.

Ideal Exhibition Facilities At IMABA

In a newly erected four-story building of the Swiss Industries Fair, the IMABA 1948 BASEL has found a most ideal place for the International Philatelic Exhibition to be held from 21st to 29th August, 1948. In point of fact, the premises might have been specially designed for the forthcoming exhibition.

There will be 10,440 square metres of space in eight halls which are situated on four floors connected by staircases and elevators, each hall being 63 metres long, 18 metres wide and 5 metres high.

The two long sides of each hall are provided with special glass windows, offering the best possible lighting for an exhibition of stamps, the exhibits not being subject to direct sunlight.

The ground-floor will hold an attractive exhibition by the Swiss postal authorities and the stamp exchange. The first floor will be reserved for foreign postal authorities, while the remaining floor space will be at the disposal of private exhibitors. Albums which cannot be laid out will remain in special burglar-and fire-proof safes.

Nearly 2000 frames with a space of 3000 square metres will be available for exhibition purposes. These frames will be placed transversally along the left side of the halls, while on the right there will be a total of 45 glass show-cases. In all, the exhibitors will have at their disposal: 67 frames of 168x120 centimetres, 304 frames of 127x120 centimetres, and 1500 frames of 105x120 centimetres, as well as 45 glass show-cases of 60x90 centimetres.

In order to bring about a uniform arrangement in the various halls, the final distribution of the frames lies with the Technical Committee.

The matter of lighting will have the attention of your local power and light company if you bring them in for recommendations, and then follow them. This service is usually free. A crowded condition on the bourse and the exhibition floor can be eliminated by the limitation of entries and of bourse tables. People just won't put up with a pushing around year after year, and a dealer can't sell his wares when his customers are being shoved as they inspect his wares.

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Royal Personages On Stamps Become Fewer

The days when collectors will find the features of a king or queen upon their stamp issues are becoming more numbered each day. For with the abdication of King Michael I of Romania only ten monarchs remain in Europe, where the business of kingship has been on the decline since World War I.

There are seven kingdoms, two small principalities and one grand duchy.

King George VI still sits securely upon the throne of Britain, where all parties favor the monarchy.

King Haakon VII rules in Norway, Queen Wilhelmina in the Netherlands, King Frederik IX in Denmark, King Gustav V in Sweden and King Paul I in Greece.

Belgium still has a monarchy, although King Leopold III is in exile in Switzerland. His brother, Prince Charles, is regent.

The Grand Duchess Charlotte reigns over little Luxembourg, Prince Louis II over Monaco, and Prince Francis Joseph II over Liechtenstein.

Five monarchs lost their crowns in the upheavals of World War II.

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Exhibition Committees Must Provide Adequate Lighting And Room

The two general complaints collectors seem to have with stamp shows is that the lighting in most cases is not adequate, and that the exhibition and the bourse are crowded too closely together. Exhibition chairmen should give these matters some serious thought many weeks before the holding of a stamp show, and provide accordingly. Both of the complaints are easily enough handled.

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Second Edition Of Swiss International Philatelic Review Is Published

With the title "IMABA REVIEW" the Press and Propaganda Committee of the IMABA 1948 BASEL (International Philatelic Exhibition from August 21st to August 29th, 1948, in the buildings of the Swiss Industries Fair) publishes a new philatelic review. The second issue, copiously illustrated, contains apart from information on the preparations of the Exhibition, interesting articles concerning the ideal exhibition place and its possibilities in the buildings of the Swiss Industries Fair, of the city of Basel and its postage stamps, as well as a historical account of the past philatelic exhibitions and other interesting matter.

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(Editor's Note: Mr. Borenstein was asked for his picture and a short biography to introduce himself to the readers of the Postage Stamp Parade column which he edits each week. The picture is above, the biography is below. Both are good.)

I was born at home, as I wanted to be near my mother at the time. After 20 some years of happy childhood, spent in various mental institutions, I felt able to cope with the wicked world, so putting a sack of apple seeds in my knapsack, I left home.

Upon reaching New Orleans I was struck with the beauty of the terrain and lack of car fare, and I have been here ever since. Incidentally, I operate the Old Quarter Stamp Shop.

United States—A new commem to be issued in 1948 will do honor to Sequoyah, the originator of the Cherokee alphabet. Also mentioned is a Mississippi commem to mark the 150th anniversary.

Andorra—We are informed that a new pictorial set for postage comprising 15 values was released in December, and that a one Peseta Air is scheduled for issue in January.

Australia—Slated for issue in early 1948 are a 1 shilling 3 pence showing a Hereford bull and a 2 shilling showing a crocodile.

Belgium—The 1947 Anti T. B. sets have been received—values and colors are as follows. 65c plus 35 orange, 90c plus 60c, lake

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1.85 blue, represent the coats of Arms of various Belgian provinces.

China—We note a \$20,000 Red and Green value added to the Sun-Yat-Sen type issue.

Colombia—A 2 centavo deep blue has been issued bearing portraits of Miguel Antonio Caro and Rufino Jose Cuervo y Uriarte.



Curacao—We illustrate the semi-Postal overprint reported here last week, a new Anti-Leprosy set has also been issued.

Dutch Indies—A set of charities to help war victims is scheduled for issue in February.

Ecuador—There is a new provisional; the overprint is in black on a 10c orange revenue stamp.



France—A 15 Fr. stamp in a orange brown color has made its appearance. The scene on the stamp is dominated by a medieval castle which is identified as "Conques (Aveyron)." Clarence Hubbard.

Great Britain—More information has come to hand in regards to the proposed commem sets to be issued in 1948; The April series to honor the silver wedding of Geo. VI and Queen Elizabeth will consist of 2 values 2½ pence and (hold on to your hats) one pound.

The May set will also have 2 values one pence and 2 pence and will only be sold in the Channel Islands of Guernsey and Jersey (whose liberation they commemorate).

The July issue is to be of more than one value but so far, nothing official has been released as to denominations.

Hungary—A commemorative stamp to celebrate the Day of the Stamp was issued on December 21. It pictures an old time mail coach. A special cancellation was applied to all covers from Budapest which was of a special nature. Color of the new stamp is orange brown; value is 30f.

Japan—The 2 yen vermillion Temple stamp issued in 1946 and the 10 yen lilac birds and flowers are both to be re-issued in 1948 with minor changes.



Lebanon—We illustrate the 50 P of the recent liberation set which has been overprinted in purple in Arabic—we do not believe this to be a change in denomination, but we would

be glad to hear from some one who reads Arabic who can tell us what it does mean.

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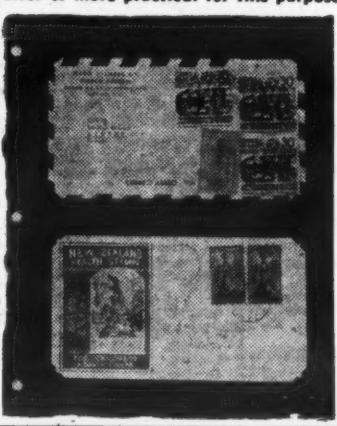
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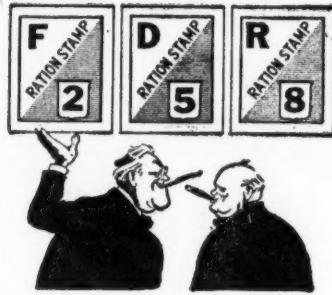
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19TH CENTURY-POSTAGE & REVENUES

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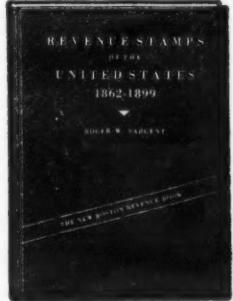
"REVENUE STAMPS OF THE UNITED STATES—1862-1899"

By Roger W. Sargent

This is a very complete story of the revenue stamps of the 19th Century. Lists the plate numbers used, perforations and plate varieties, counterfeits, shades and paper varieties, including the story of the scarce & Proprietary. This information, along with the figures of the number of stamps issued will greatly reflect the real scarcity of certain issues and should be invaluable to the specialist.

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